

Susan Faludi

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Feminism's agenda is basic: It asks that women not be forced to 'choose' between public justice and private happiness.

~Susan Faludi

The system of heroism depends on women to be weak so men can be strong.

~Susan Faludi

In place of equal respect, the nation offered women the Miss America beauty pageant, established in 1920-the same year women won the vote.

~Susan Faludi

As it turns out, social scientists have established only one fact about single women's mental health: employment improves it.

~Susan Faludi

The women's movement. . . has proved women's own worst enemy.

~Susan Faludi

The culture used to move relatively slowly, so you could take aim. Now it moves so fast, and is so fluffy and meaningless, you feel like an idiot even complaining about it.

~Susan Faludi

When the enemy has no face, society will invent one.

~Susan Faludi

Gender is really varied and complicated and sort of infinitely individualistic.

~Susan Faludi

For some high-profile men in trouble, women, especially feminist women, became the all-purpose scapegoats-charged with crimes that

often descended into the absurd.

~Susan Faludi

Divorced men are more likely to meet their car payments than their child support obligations.

~Susan Faludi

It's fine to dress in polka dots and pink crinoline if you want. What I recoil from is the idea that that alone is the only way to be female.

~Susan Faludi

My goal is to be accused of being strident.

~Susan Faludi

Self-esteem is the basis for feminism because self-esteem is based on defining yourself and believing in that definition. Self-esteem is regarding yourself as a grown-up.

~Susan Faludi

A lot of people seem to want to make the institution of marriage substitute for a real relationship.

~Susan Faludi

the heart of the backlash argument: women are better off 'protected' than equal.

~Susan Faludi

Keeping the peace with the particular man in one's life becomes more essential than battling the mass male culture.

~Susan Faludi

As women began to challenge their own internalized views of a woman's proper place, their desire and demand for equal status and free choice began to grow exponentially.

~Susan Faludi

I've never believed that women have some special, essentialist qualities, or were more nurturing, cooperative, and morally superior.

~Susan Faludi

To be unwed and female was to succumb to an illness with only one known cure: marriage.

~Susan Faludi

the central argument of the backlash - that women's equality is responsible for women's unhappiness.

~Susan Faludi

Hungary is now on the brink of becoming a neo-fascist state.

~Susan Faludi

The piles of makeup and the insistence on frills and ribbons and bows was not at all attuned to my feminist views.

~Susan Faludi

Trump's "Make America Great Again" program trumpets a national identity built on scapegoating, self-pity and grandiosity, and the promise of a strongman.

~Susan Faludi

Having whipped single women into high marital panic-or "nuptialitis," as one columnist called it- the press hastened to soothe fretted brows with conjugal tonic.

~Susan Faludi

The American woman has not yet slipped into a cocoon, but she has tumbled down a rabbit hole into sudden isolation.

~Susan Faludi

The economic victims of the era are men who know someone has made off with their future- and they suspect the thief is a woman.

~Susan Faludi

the backlash convinced the public that women's 'liberation' was the true contemporary American scourge - the source of an endless laundry list of personal, social, and economic problems.

~Susan Faludi

Women who had discovered pants, low-heeled shoes, and loose sweaters during World War II were reluctant to give them up in peacetime.

~Susan Faludi

The women's movement hit my neighborhood like a freight train. Everybody got divorced. You wonder what would have happened to women if the suburbs hadn't been built.

~Susan Faludi

The demand that women "return to femininity" is a demand that the cultural gears shift into reverse, that we back up to a fabled time when everyone was richer, younger, more powerful.

~Susan Faludi

The media and the rest of popular culture weren't recording people's reactions to 9/11; they were forcing made-up reactions down people's throats.

~Susan Faludi

Women are enslaved by their own liberation.

~Susan Faludi

I write to figure out what I am thinking: What does my life mean?

~Susan Faludi

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