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The *Journal of Interdisciplinary Feminist Thought* (<http://digitalcommons.salve.edu/jift/>) invites contributions for its next issue:

Changing Families, Changing Women

There is no denying that families, particularly in the West, are changing, and will continue to do so in the future. At the same time, women are also undergoing radical change. What are the implications for society as a whole and for each of us as individuals? While the traditional definition of family as a basic social unit consisting of parents and their children, considered as a group, whether living together or not, still holds, the interpretation and lived experience varies according to culture, religious beliefs, geography, and economic conditions. Advances in medicine and technology raise the fundamental question as to what actually constitutes a family. In every case, women's place and women's role is central to the vitality of the family. In this issue of the "Journal of Interdisciplinary Feminist Thought," we will explore the interrelationship between changing families and women. We join with on-going political and religious efforts to address this issue.

Possible Topics:

1. The Traditional Definition of Family Reconsidered

- The family as a social institution
- Class, race, and family life
- Gender, power, and the family

2. Social Construction of Gender

- Women's changing role
- Religious, political, and economic influences

3. Ethnographic examples of change

- Positive and negative consequences
- Predictions for the future

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