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APRIL 1992

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

One Small Step at Laurier

By Gary Van Lingen

It was a definite beginning. On March 18, Wilfrid Laurier University Student Union had a human issues day. Titled **Understanding the Differences** the Student Union's display focused on three issues particularly relevant to Laurier: racism, ableism (concerns of students with disabilities), and more importantly, homophobia and the concerns of gay, lesbian, and bisexual students. It was this last concern which provoked the most negative responses, most of which occurred before the display was even put up.

The person who faced this negativity the most was Fran Wdowczyk, WLU's Student Life Co-Ordinator and a strong advocate for the fight against homophobia. In coordinating and developing the display, Fran (in concert with Jeff Bowden of the Student Union and several of Laurier's support services) had to deal with some of the administration denying the reality of Laurier's homophobia, a few suggesting that it was too late in the year to deal with such topics, and one who suggested

that perhaps it was best that the display not be done.

The blending of the three issues was done in part to diffuse the negativity attached to the gay/ lesbian/ bisexual component. This served to deny administration the opportunity to veto a display directed purely at homophobia. In some ways it was disappointing. Very few people actually stopped at the display to either talk to those present or to pick up the literature. However, it was the first time in many years that gay/ lesbian/ bisexual issues were brought forward. It is now hoped that once this first step has been made, something more substantial can be done in the future. Presently, the gay/ lesbian/ bisexual student's group at Laurier are making plans for September.

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincerest thanks to Fran Wdowczyk, WLSU President Nick Jimeney, Jeff Bowden, Rosalind from Safety and Equality, and all those who helped to put a human face on the very important issues dealt with. Δ

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We'd Like To Hear From You

The "new and improved" PTCC (this is its fourth issue) has received numerous letters of support and constructive criticism. We thank everyone who wrote in to tell us what was on their minds. We believe that the ideas and criticisms of our readership deserves a forum. Hence, starting next month, we will be printing "Letters to the Editors". All submissions will become the property of the PTCC and will be assumed to be for publication unless explicitly stated otherwise. Letters to the Editors must be signed and must include a legibly printed name, along with a city. If explicitly requested, the PTCC will withhold names although we encourage all our readers to have the conviction to stand by their words.

We thank those of you who have sent us letters already. If you would like to see your comments in print, please write us again to confirm that your submission is for publication.

The PTCC feels that there are issues and sometimes hard questions that need addressing as editorials. Guest columns are also welcome.

The PTCC is also acutely aware of the under-representation of feminist viewpoints. As a result, the PTCC is actively seeking women and womyn who would like to write for us.

While the PTCC is published here in Kitchener-Waterloo, we are distributed in Guelph, Cambridge, London and Hamilton. The PTCC would be interested in hearing from our readership in those cities as well. Let us know what is going on in your community. If you would like to write a regular column on local happenings, the PTCC would be more than happy to print it. Send us a proposal.

Send all submissions to P.O.Box 986, Waterloo, N2J 4S1, or drop them off in the GLOW office, located in room 209 of the Campus Centre at the University of Waterloo. Δ

Freddy Mercury Remembered

A worldwide AIDS-awareness concert is being planned by major rock acts, dedicated to Queen frontman Freddie Mercury, who died of the disease last November.

The four-hour concert will be aired April 20 on MuchMusic at 4 pm and repeated at 10 pm. Fox-TV will show two hours of highlights and interviews starting at 8 pm.

More than half a billion people in 70 countries will be able to see the show; starring U2, David Bowie, Elton John, Def Leppard, George Michael and Annie Lennox, among others. Profits will go to AIDS projects worldwide.



The PTCC has been published through the efforts of volunteers, for the most part students, with considerable financial support provided by the Gay & Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo. The PTCC staff of publishers and editors includes: Chris Chin, Tony Diep, Peter J Dillon, and Feaz Rahim. Recent contributors include ACCKWA, Attitude (Lesbian & Gay Youth Toronto), GLOW,

GGLE, The Sexuality Resource Centre (U of W), WOODS, John Paul Baguley, Chris Chin, Peter J Dillon, Jay Lawrence, Denise Lilliman, Allison MacFarlane, Jim Parrott, Gary Van Lingen, Adrian Seketa, Feaz Rahim, Tim Reaburn, Kelly Wright, Bryan, Jason Reeve, and Neill Kernoha.

The opinions expressed are those of the author's and are not necessarily those of the PTCC, its editorial staff or its publishers.

"KW Reproductive Rights in Jeopardy!"

Opinion by Bryan



In January, access to abortion in Waterloo Region disappeared.

Pro-life bigots succeeded in hounding the last doctor out of the

practice. Hundreds of women must travel each year for this essential health service. This obstacle not only poses unnecessary health risks, but some jurisdictions no longer accept outside patients. Most women from our area must visit busy clinics in Toronto, which continue to suffer harassment and vandalism. Nonetheless, our Health Council, bowing to pro-life pressure, refuses to consider local access.

By denying access to abortion, pro-lifers seek to establish immediate controls over women's reproduction and sexuality. They aim to prevent women, particularly young women, from freely

deciding when and if to have children. The issue is autonomy. The exclusive family advocated by the state and "conservative right" is subverted when women are able to choose abortion on their own terms.

For the same reason, anti-choice forces also oppose the rights of lesbians and gay men. Alternative lifestyles showing real self-determination expose the "traditional" family as just one of many choices. Thus the struggle for reproductive rights is intimately linked with lesbian and gay liberation.

The Pro-Choice Action Network is working to secure full local access to free abortion, as a step toward reproductive freedom for all women. Failure will only strengthen bigotted efforts to limit all our freedoms. Success, however, will mean greater autonomy for us all. For more information about the Pro-Choice Action Network in KW, or to get involved, please call 747-████. Δ

Save the Court Challenges Program

: Association of Lesbians and Gays of Ottawa, Via GLOW.

On February 27, 1992, the Federal Government cancelled the Court Challenges Program which provides funding to disadvantaged groups and individuals to defend the constitutional equality rights guaranteed in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Women, official language minorities, visible minorities, lesbians and gays, persons with disabilities, and other disadvantaged groups have been able to use the courts to force the Federal Government to respect its constitutional obligations because of this program.

Please help save this program! Write to the Hon. Gerry Weiner, the Minister responsible for the Court Challenges Program. Letters to Parliament are free; so write to your MP, to the Prime Minister, to the Hon. Kim Campbell, Justice Minister, etc. [Blank sample letters and postcards are available from the GLOW offices.]

You can also write directly to the Court Challenges Program to express your support at 902-251 Laurier Avenue West, Ottawa, ON, K1P 6J6. Their telephone number is 613- 564- 6707; FAX 564- 9554. Δ

Viva Brasil!

Travelogue by Jason Reeve

Rio de Janeiro's Galeão International Airport is situated on an island, so it is necessary to take an extensive taxi-ride to your hotel. (It is advisable to use the pre-paid taxi services available upon arrival; Coopertrama's is a good one. It will avoid hassles with fares and stolen luggage.)

Gay life in Brasil seems to be much more open and casual than here in Canada. Some of the crueziest areas in the entire city are the beaches (what could be a better place!?)

The hot spots include Ipanema Beach, in front of Rua Faime de Anocdo, and Copacabana Beach in front of the infamous Copacabana Palace hotel. This particular area is called the Stock Market, from my time spent there I can only guess that it got its name from the affluent boys (and girls) that hang out there.

Beaches aren't the only cruisy areas that exist in Rio de Janeiro; Galeria Alaska offers some of the best shopping around. As far as clubs and nightlife go, there's lots to choose from. The best as far as I'm concerned is Papagaio (parrot in English); a high energy discotheque frequented by a younger, trendy crowd. Brazilians by nature are friendly people and at Papagaio it won't be long before you meet someone. The club opens at 11pm and rocks until 8am.

A 55-min flight by a Varig air-taxi takes you to one of the largest cities in the world, São Paulo. This city and its surrounding cities within the state have a population of 25 million collectively -- almost the entire population of Canada! São Paulo is the New York of Brazil; it is the financial and industrial capital of the

country. Like Rio, São Paulo too has lots to offer; although it doesn't have any beaches, it makes up for it in its nightlife. An exceptional night spot is Madam Satã (Madam Satan). Upon entering you'll notice how it got its name. Employees are dressed in black and the

owners frequently make appearances (one looks an awful lot like Elvira) in costume. The whole atmosphere is one of faux-evil stirred up with the

latest sounds in deep techno and disco. The atmosphere may seem nasty, but the people sure aren't. I had no trouble making friends there at all!

You will find especially in São Paulo that a lot of clubs fall into a specific genre. However, there is no strictly enforced dress code so feel free to just go out and be yourself and have a good time. Other bars worth noting are Homo Sapiens, frequented mainly by an upscale younger crowd, and Malicia (Malice in English) in the heart of the city.

As far as the legality of gay life in Brazil, homosexuality is not illegal in Brazil and the age of consent is 18. Presently, a new constitution is being prepared and gay/lesbian groups are making efforts to have newer and more powerful anti-discrimination laws passed. One word of caution: AIDS is a huge problem in Brazil, for both males and females since condoms are not as readily available there as they are here. Take your precautions and you'll have a great time. Brazillians are warm friendly people and your stay is assured to be an adventurous and enjoyable one.

Next month: Montreal for Women, and Saskatchewan (Really!) A

Gay life in Brasil seems much more open

PFAME Helps Gays and Lesbians in BC

By Chris Chin.

The Vancouver Lesbian and Gay Youth Group has joined the Pacific Foundation for the Advancement of Minority Equality (PFAME) in providing a wide range of services for the West Coast community. In addition to providing an information switchboard

(604-684-6869), PFAME also operates a gay and lesbian library, a gay and lesbian foodbank, a youth services bureau, and a legal clinic. The Vancouver chapter of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) also makes it home at PFAME offices.

I recently had the opportunity to speak with PFAME's Publicity Director Wally Chan about their services. Their facility is located in the tourist district around Robson Street in downtown Vancouver and is divided into seven offices plus a lounge. The organization keeps business hours from 10am to 7pm, outside of which, any of the various affiliate groups can use the office space.

"Since most of our people are volunteers, they'll come in after work -- around 7pm," explains Chan. PFAME operates like an umbrella group for various affiliated organizations, much as the Coalition for Lesbian and Gay Rights in Ontario (CLGRO) does here.

"Many of our services operate only once a year, but require a whole year of planning. For

instance, PFAME organizes the yearly Vancouver Gay and Lesbian Film Festival which requires a whole year to prepare for," says Chan.

Among the various other aspects of PFAME are the Rainbow Band, a gay and lesbian musical group, and the annual Stonewall Festival, the equivalent of our Pride Day, held at Sunset Beach, near Stanley Park.

PFAME is a non-profit organization receiving no governmental funding.


They rely completely on private donations, which make 90% of their \$200,000 1992 budget; the majority of which goes toward their foodbank that serves over 600 people on a regular basis.

Youth Coordinator Dawn Knight adds "[We] hope that through information sharing and education we can enlighten youths and give them a safe, fun environment to exchange ideas and be themselves in."

You can get in touch with the Vancouver Lesbian and Gay Youth Group care of: PFAME; 1525 Robson Street #321; Vancouver, BC; V6G 1C1 Δ

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for the advancement
of minority equality





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APRIL EVENTS

Thursday 2

Projecting Ourselves: London Lesbian Film Festival begins. Continues until Saturday, 4 April. Call 1-679- [REDACTED] Womansline Books, for information and tickets.

Reel Out: Films pushing the limits of lesbian visibility. 7:30 pm London Lesbian Film Festival.

WOODS holds indoor Mini Golf, in the dark. To be followed by a trip to the Pink Zone. Call 519-746- [REDACTED] for info.

Friday 3

Body Casting Weekend. A workshop for womyn committed to healing and transforming their bodies. "...a powerful and incisive inquiry into the experience of living in a womyn's body..." This is part one of two full weekend workshops, cost is on a sliding scale starting at \$195, held at a private home (space limited) about an hour south of K-W. Contact OWLS through GLOW for more information. Continues until Sunday, 5 April.

We Are Everywoman: Dramas and documentaries explore our diversity. 7:30 pm London Lesbian Film Festival, co-sponsored by the AIDS Committee of London.

Men's Law, Women's Law in Early Modern England. A research Colloquium by Dr. Sara Mendelson. At McMaster University, Chester Hall Room 607, 3:30 pm.

Saturday 4

Context and Subtext: So what is a lesbian film anyway? 7:30 Women only. London Lesbian Film Festival.

The Pink Zone holds a BEACH PARTY. - postponed from March 28. Come in your beach attire. Call 744- [REDACTED] for more info.

Sunday 5

The Robin's Nest holds a Country & Western Dance. 3:00 - 10:00 pm. Free dance lessons until 4:00pm. Bring a partner.

Tuesday 7

GGLE Discussion and Planning Night. University of Guelph, University Centre, Room 536; 7:30 pm. Help plan for the summer months.

GLOW Discussion Group: Dealing With Breaking Up. University of Waterloo, Environmental Studies Building 2, Room 173; 7:30pm sharp.

Saturday 11

An evening of Indian cuisine, preparing and cooking exciting recipes. If you are interested in this OWLS event call GLOW by April 8.

Tuesday 14

GGLE Social Night. University of Guelph, UC Room 536; 7:30 pm.

GLOW Discussion Group: Living Alone, Living Apart, Living Together. University of Waterloo, ES2 Room 173; 7:30pm sharp.

Thursday 16

33 MAC holds Karioke Night. Join us for an evening of song.

Saturday 18

Womyn's Night at 33 MAC - special guest DJ and singing machine contest.

WOODS goes to Little Lake Conservation area - bring your glove, frisbee, football and lunch for a fun filled day. Call 519- 767- [REDACTED] for info.

Monday 20

Boys Night Out at 33 MAC - go go go with more dancers.

Worldwide AIDS-awareness concert, MuchMusic at 4pm and again at 10pm.

Tuesday 21

GGLE Movie Night. University of Guelph, UC Room 536; 7:30 pm.

GLOW Discussion Group: Experiences From Our Youth: Growing Up Gay/Lesbian. University of Waterloo, ES2 Room 173; 7:30pm sharp.

Friday 24

WOODS hold a planning meeting to plan May/June events. Call 519-767- [REDACTED] for info.

Saturday 25

ACCKWA holds their annual Spring Fling in association with Waterloo Region Arts Council at St. Louis Parish on Allen St. in Waterloo. Call 748- [REDACTED] for tickets and information.

Bourne and Macleod perform live at The Commercial Tavern 3 Church St. North, Maryhill. phone 1- 648- [REDACTED] for info.

Sunday 26

WOODS goes Kite Flying. Call 519-763- [REDACTED] for info.

Tuesday 28

GGLE open discussion group evening. University of Guelph, UC Room 536; 7:30pm.

GLOW Discussion Group: How I Prefer to Meet People. University of Waterloo, ES2 Room 173; 7:30pm sharp.

Tuesday 5 MAY.

Ferron in concert at Emmanuel United Church in Waterloo. Tickets \$15 advance/ \$17 at the door. For complete details call GLOW or see ad in this issue.

OUTINGS

International Gay and Lesbian Aquatics championships will be held in Seattle the first week of July. It will be hosted by the Orca Swim Club of Seattle to coincide with the Northwest Gay and Lesbian Sports Festival. This is an international officially sanctioned meet, interested athletes are encouraged to contact IGLA c/o Orca Swim Club, P.O. Box 20171 Seattle, Washington 98102. or by contacting Matt Palmer (206) 325-6940 or Paul Sherman (206) 322-0871. The entry deadline is MAY 15, 1992. For information regarding the Northwest Gay & Lesbian sports Festival (including soccer, tennis, running, softball, golf, and croquet) contact Team Seattle at (206) 634-1843.

Out & Out Toronto is going to The Royal Ontario Museum, included on the tour is a special exhibition of Egyptian and Nubian artifacts. Call Mark at 1-416-463- [REDACTED] for more info, or just show up for 'gay day at the ROM.' Sunday April 12; 1pm.

The 17th Michigan Womyn's Music Festival runs from Tuesday August 11 to Sunday August 16. Entertainment includes the Women's Philharmonic String Quintet, Heather Bishop, Mrs. FUN, a children's concert, and a gospel choir. Pick up brochures and complete information at the GLOW office or call 884-4569 during their phoneline hours of 7:00-10:00pm weekdays.

GENERAL NOTICES

33 MAC Club in Guelph is pleased to announce that their patio will be open all nice days in April.

Gay and Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo (GLOW) holds Discussion Nights every Tuesday in room 173 of the Environmental Studies Building 2 at the University of Waterloo; GLOW Nights every Wednesday in room 104 of the Modern Languages building at the University of Waterloo; and GLOW Volleyball Nights every Thursday at 7:30pm at Southridge Public School, 1425 Queen's Blvd, Kitchener.

GLOW Line (884-4569) operators will be available from Monday to Thursday from 7:00 - 10:00 pm starting Monday, 6 April, 1992.

Guelph Gay and Lesbian Equality (GGLE) meets every Tuesday 8:00pm in room 536 of the University Centre at the University of Guelph.

Kitchener-Waterloo, Cambridge area lesbian, gay or bisexual youth between 14 and 25 interested in starting a youth group are asked to leave a first name and a phone number, along with the best times to call, with GLOW.

Men of Serious Intent in the K-W community interested in rediscovering their unique Male Spirituality are called to join in the formation of a Mythopoetic Men's Group. This will be neither a gay nor straight group but a gathering of men as males with the intent of revisioning their anger, grief, failure, frustration, and betrayal. For more information please call Jan Willems weeknights between 7-8 pm at 747-████. All Men Welcome.

Postage-free postcards endorsing amendments to the Canadian Human Rights Act are now available in the GLOW office, room 209 of the Campus Centre, University of Waterloo. Send some to your favourite MP today!!

PTCC is looking for women (or womyn) who want to contribute regular or occasional articles for publication in the PTCC. Please provide us with a sample of your writing and an outline of what you'd like to write about. Enclose your name and phone number and mail with your return address to the PTCC.

Submissions for a new book on Violence Against Womyn in Canada are called for. Submit your stories, poems, essays, drawings or articles on rape, incest, spouse battering, child abuse, or ritual abuse to MADWOMON'S WORDS. Langara Students' Union, 100 West 49th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. V5Y 2Z6 c/o Kirsten. The deadline for entries is April 30 1992.

ATTENTION CARTOONISTS. If you're a lesbian or gay male who can draw, cartoon or even doodle, Queer Press wants your work for an upcoming cartoon anthology. Send copies (not originals) and a brief biography and SASE to Queer Press P.O.Box 485 Station P. Toronto, Ont. M5S 2T1 The deadline is May 1st 1992.

MICHIGAN WOMYN'S FESTIVAL

Besides all of the live entertainment that will be taking place there will be various workshops including Feminist Yoga, Bodybuilding, Blood: Power and Shame, The Lesbian Sensibility, Alternative Insemination, Self Defence, Self Defence for Girls, and Self Defence for Differently-Abled Womyn.

Brochures and information are available in the GLOW office at the University of Waterloo and include all the information a traveller will need, including shuttle service information, ticket prices, and important dates. For more information, drop by the GLOW office or call their phoneline at 884-4569 during office hours (7:00 -10:00 pm weekdays).

ORGANIZATIONS

AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo and Area (ACCKWA), 13-1601 River Road East, Kitchener, N2A 3Y4, (519) 748-5556. Weekdays 9:00am - 5:00pm, ACCKWA offers support for individuals infected and affected by HIV/AIDS.

Aids Committee of Guelph and Wellington County (ACGWC), 202-73 Delhi Street, Guelph, N1E 6L9, (519) 763-2255. Weekdays 9:00am - 5:00pm. ACGWC now has a Newsline at (519) 763-8265 in Guelph

Free Spirit Community Church (FSCC) P.O.Box 191, Stn C, Kitchener, N2G 3X9, Unfortunately the FSCC no longer meets regularly on Sunday nights; instead, to find out about dates of infrequent meetings, or for information please call FSCC at 725-████.

Gay and Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo (GLOW), c/o Federation of Students, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, N2L 3G1. Office: Campus Centre room 209, (519) 884-4569, weekday evenings, messages other times. GLOW provides peer counselling, a book archive, a housing registry, coffeehouses, dances, and general information.

Guelph Gay and Lesbian Equality (GGLE), P.O.Box 773, Guelph, N1H 6L8, Office: University Centre room 536, University of Guelph, (519) 836-4550, 7:30-9:30pm, Monday - Thursday. Messages other times. GGLE provides peer counselling, social nights, dances, newsletters and general information.

Lesbian and Gay Youth of Cambridge is an organization for gay, lesbian and bisexual people aged 14-25. Call 884-4569 for more information.

OWLS is a privately organized, non-profit social/cultural group for

women over 30. Call 884-4569 for more information.

Women Out of Doors (WOODS), P.O.Box 986, Waterloo, N2J 4S1. Phone: (519) 746-████. Social recreational group with various activities, bimonthly newsletter. Membership - \$15/year.

BARS AND CLUBS

Circles! 24 Charles Street West, Kitchener. (519) 570-4566. Sunday - Thursday, 7:00pm - 1:30am; Friday & Saturday, 5:00pm - 3:00am.

The Robin's Nest 26 Hobson Street, Cambridge. Saturdays only. (519) 621-2688.

The Pink Zone 223 1/2 King Street, Kitchener. (519) 744-7465. Wednesday & Thursday, 8:00pm - 2:00am; Friday & Saturday, 8:00pm - 3:00am.

33 MAC 33 MacDonnell Street, Guelph. (519) 824-9914. Open seven days a week from 4:00pm - 2:00am.

RADIO SHOWS

Feminist Framework Wednesdays 10:30 - 11:00am, CKWR-FM 98.7

Feminist Frequency Sundays 7:00 - 8:00pm, CFRU-FM 93.3

Nowhere to Hide Wednesdays 8:00 - 9:00pm, CKMS-FM 94.5

The GayLine Info Show Mondays 6:00pm - 7:00pm, CKWR-FM 98.7

The Leaping Lesbian Radio Show Thursdays 6:00 - 8:00pm, CKMS-FM 94.5

Women Spin Wednesdays 6:00 - 8:00pm, CKMS-FM 94.5

Women Wise Wednesdays 10:30pm - 12:30am, CKWR-FM 98.7

Ferry Fights for Right to Preach

Spotlight on Religion by Neill Kernohan

For eleven years, Jim Ferry has been a priest in the Anglican Diocese of Toronto. For the past three years he has been pastor of St. Philip's-on-the-Hill, Unionville. In late 1990, Jim became aware that he was the subject of malicious gossip about his sexual orientation. Rather than allowing the situation to deteriorate, Jim spoke to his Bishop in June of 1991. Jim was forthright

and honest with the Bishop, telling him that he was gay and had a committed, loving relationship with another man.

Two weeks later the Bishop of Toronto asked Jim to resign. When he refused to do so, the Bishop removed his licence, stopped his income, and placed him under a canonical inhibition making it impossible for him to function as a priest anywhere in Canada. He was then informed that he would receive no severance pay or alternative employment.

On July 14, 1991, an episcopal letter explicitly informed the congregation that Jim Ferry had been dismissed because of his continuing relationship with another man. Two weeks after that, the Diocese of Toronto released the story to the press accompanied by Jim Ferry's photograph without his knowledge or consent. It was carried by local, national, and international media.

After seeking legal and other advice, Jim filed legal proceedings in Ontario Court for wrongful dismissal and breach of confidence. Subsequently the Bishop of Toronto reinstated him to the payroll. This action enabled the Bishop to summon Jim to appear before a Bishop's Court. Jim has agreed to defend his case in the Bishop's Court and was involved in a hearing in February, 1992.

Obviously, this is a sensitive issue for some, since gay and lesbian people are an invisible minority, and exist at all levels of the Anglican church. There are those that feel that Jim should lie to his

Bishop, pretend to be celibate, and continue a charade. There are also those that felt that this was the time for gay and lesbian people to come forward and be seen.

Next week, in a personal interview with the Rev. Jim Ferry, the PTCC will explore some of the issues surrounding this extraordinary case and Jim's thoughts as he continues his journey toward acceptance. Δ



Barbara Grier and Donna J. McBride

Sisters of the Month

Barbara Grier and Donna J. McBride started the Talahassee, Florida-based Naiad Press, which has just completed its 20th year as the oldest and largest publisher of lesbian books in the world.

No less successful is the relationship of Naiad's cofounders, who on January 28 marked 20 years of domestic partnership.

Started with an initial investment of \$2000 in 1973, Naiad has grown to a full-time staff of six and a \$1.3-million-a-year (US) business. The company, whose Greek name means water nymph, now has over 170 titles in print, a 24-book-per-year production schedule, and a mailing list of over 32,000 individuals spanning the nation and much of the rest of the world. Δ

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Counselling For Gays And Lesbians: Relationship problems? Low self-esteem? Coming out? Stressed out? Confused? Depressed? Addicted to sex? Confidential sessions: \$60.00. Male counsellor, MASC (Psych and Human Relations). (519) 823-██████ in Guelph. Ask for Norm.

Folk Women's Music: Women interested in forming a casual group for singing, guitar-playing, etc.; please contact Marion at 742-██████.

Information needed now! I'm doing research on the gay press. If you have any books/ articles please call Mike at 749-██████. PinkBox 21.2-01

Information needed, too! I'm interested in religious texts of the gay community ... language, word use, etc. Call Brent at 725-██████. PinkBox 21.2-02

Lesbians in Science: Grad student studying lesbians' participation in the sciences seeks interested students, technicians, profs and scientists for confidential interviews. Please call Susan at 742-██████.

Resource and Reference information related to spatial and locational analysis of the Toronto gay community, historically and currently, is sought. Submissions to PinkBox 21.2-03.

Yukon Lesbian & Child to be Deported

By Kelly Wright

Anna Carrott and Andrea Underwood have been spouses for 8 years. They live outside of the village of Teslin in the Yukon with their 2 children. Anna and the children are British citizens. Canadian-born Andrea tried to apply last November to sponsor her family for landed immigrant status. The Federal Department of Immigration refused to even process the application. They say the regulations make no provision for sponsoring a same-sex spouse. The children were recently kicked out of school, despite assurances from the Yukon Department of Education that they are entitled to an education here. Anna and the children were told to leave the country by March 2nd. 15 year-old Odin has decided to return to Great Britain because he cannot afford an interruption in his education. Anna and 13-year-old Amalie wish to remain in Canada. The family has hired a lawyer to take on the Department of Immigration in Federal Court arguing that the Immigration Regulations are inconsistent with Section 15 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

Protection from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation is not explicitly included in the Charter. Some Canadian judges agree, while some say it is implicitly included. The issue has yet to be decided by the Supreme Court. Meanwhile, the Federal Government promised in 1985 to take "whatever measures necessary to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation in all areas of federal jurisdiction". They have yet to act on that commitment.

The broader political and legal issues will not be settled in time for Anna Carrott. Her deadline for leaving the country has past with her court case barely off the ground. Your help is urgently required to make sure this family is not further broken apart. Please call immediately to the Federal Minister of Immigration, Bernard Valcourt, requesting that Anna Carrott be allowed to stay in the country at least until the issue is settled in court: (613) 994-2482. A sample letter is on the reverse of this page, please feel free to send it in. Copy your letter to Svend Robinson, MP; the address for both Robinson and Valcourt is House of Commons; Ottawa, ON; K1A 0A6. Please send another copy to Bob Beresch at Canada Immigration; #303, 4114 Fourth Avenue; Whitehorse, YT; Y1A 4N7. Please encourage any organizations to which you belong to send support letters; extra copies are available from The Victoria Faulkner Women's Centre; #8, 106 Main St.; Whitehorse, YT., or GLOW.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance of the Yukon is in the process of setting up a trust fund to pay for Anna and Andrea's legal expenses. Please make donations payable to "Andrea Underwood and Anna Carrott Legal Trust Fund" and send it to the Alliance care of Box 5604; Whitehorse, YT; Y1A 5H4.

Please support this family. They have shown great courage by confronting homophobia head-on in a hostile environment. Their battle has implications for all lesbian and gay couples and their families. It will set a national precedent.

For more information or an update, please contact Marcel Laflamme (Lawyer) at (403) 668-5252; or Helen Fallding of the Lesbian Issues Committee (Yukon Status of Women Council) at (403) 668-7508 (home) or (403) 668-6659 (work).

Volunteers are urgently needed. Andrea will need help at the Morley River Lodge she operates at Mile 777 of the Alaska Highway and organizing committees for publicity and fundraising are needed as the issue progresses through the courts. Please call Helen if you have some time or skills to share -- this is an issue that will ultimately affect us all. Their struggle is our struggle, let us fight the battle together.

Honourable Bernard Valcourt
Minister of Immigration
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Sir:

I am writing on a matter of urgent concern. I understand that British citizen Anna Carrott has been asked to leave the country. Ms. Carrott, her Canadian spouse Andrea Underwood and their 2 children have been living near the small community of Teslin in the Yukon Territory. Ms. Underwood has attempted to sponsor her family for landed immigrant status. Your Department has refused to even process the application. The children have been kicked out of school and Ms. Carrott has been told to leave the country by March 2nd. One of the children has already left the country so that his schooling will not be interrupted.

Such blatant discrimination on the basis of the couple's sexual orientation contradicts your government's 1985 commitment to prohibit such discrimination in all areas of federal jurisdiction. As well, our contribution to breaking up this family flies in the face of your government's claim to support family values.

I am asking you to do everything in your power to keep the remainder of this family together. Please grant Ms. Carrott landed immigrant status, as you would for the spouse of any heterosexual Canadian citizen. If you cannot see fit to do that, please allow Ms. Carrott to remain in Canada until the issue is settled by the courts.

Ms. Carrott is a woman of great courage and honesty. She contributes to the Yukon community and I would be proud to have her live in my country on a permanent basis.

Sincerely,
