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FROM THE EDITOR

When we first began planning the original format of Dimensions, one primary feature was a column that would cover 'WHAT'S GOIN ON'. This column is a service to our readers. It keeps them informed of upcoming events, conventions, and activities in various cities. This is particularly good if you are traveling to a sister-city and wondering what events may be taking place during your visit there. In fact, some events result in a trip you otherwise would not have planned.

Another service to "out of towners" is our directory. It lets people know where your business or club is located. I have heard several times, "I didn't know they had a bar." OR, "I thought they only had that one bar." The worst thing you can ever do is assume people know about your business because, believe it or not, there are a lot of people who don't. This is especially true if a traveler is unfamiliar with your city and does not have friends there.

Not only is 'WHAT'S GOIN ON' a service to our readers, but to the businesses and organizations who are featured in the column each month. It is free advertising for your business. There are some events we miss because we are uninformed. We do not have representatives in every city. Fortunately, we have Debbie Marshall and Debbie Scott in the Houston area. Many times we receive press releases too late for publication. This is unfortunate for both your organization and our readers who may miss out because they were not informed.

Our deadline is the 20th of the month prior to publication (for the September issue, we must receive press releases and correspondence on August 20th, even sooner if possible). If it arrives later, we cannot get it in.

We welcome your calls and correspondence. One of our main purposes is to inform. Please notify us about what the most convenient time to reach you is. If we call to verify an event or confirm information, please let our staff know when the most convenient time and place to contact you is. It costs us money and time to run people down on the phone, both of which we have precious little of.

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Roxanne Hunter
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TO THE EDITOR

Hi Dimensions,

I was surprised and pleased to read your announcement in the Lesbian News in L.A. Being from the West Texas, New Mexico area, I didn't know any sisters. I moved to California to meet some.

Even though my relations in Texas & New Mexico do not know of my sexual preference, I am involved in gay activities in Long Beach. I am a member of 'Women on Women' at "The Center".

I would be happy to communicate with anyone from your area.

I am enclosing a story I wrote for our now departed monthly news letter.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Jan

Editors note: If there is anyone in the West Texas or New Mexico area who would like to correspond with Jan write to #115

Dear Editor,

The poem "I Know a Woman Who Loves and is Afraid" by Susan Whitmire in your June issue is beautiful. When I read it I thought it was nice, but later the same evening I read it aloud to my girlfriend and I cried, so did she. Thank you for sharing it

Karen

Plano, TX

Hello,

I hope you're all doing wonderful? Thank you very much for the information you printed for us. We had a very successful and enjoyable trip to Dallas, when we played RUMORS. And, we are looking forward to this next weekend at the NORTH 40 in Dallas. Texas is a wonderful state. The people are really nice.

I have enclosed some information about a Women's get together. The women putting this all together want to invite as many women as possible. I volunteered to help do that. Could you please include in August and September issues this information in your "What's Goin On" section? We sure appreciate your help.

Keep up the great work!

Betty Terrell

Cosmos Productions

Tulsa, Okla

Dear Editor:

I was given a copy of Dimensions by a friend. The copy I recieved was a June issue and I agree with one of the women who wrote you -- thank you for a publication dedicated solely to women. So many publications are directed so strongly to men that I hardly enjoy reading them anymore.

Good Luck!

Sincerely,

Nina

Houston, TX

Hi!

I was delighted to find your little magazine at Liberty Books here in Austin. It is so much better for me than that other magazine (who's name we will not mention), and other publications are either too this or that, or serve the whole U.S. I am really cherishing Dimensions.

To those of you who conceived the idea and had the courage to follow through: congratulations, best of everything and count on my support in every way. I love the variety of interests presented. It seems so "normal" and that feels so good. Some lesbian literature seem to bury me in lesbianism and tends to forget that I am a whole person. As best I can tell so far, Dimensions means to allow me to experience all my "dimensions" as a whole person while enjoying my womanhood as a lesbian. I love it!

Sincerely,

Helga Cozad

Austin, TX



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We would like to hear from you!

We want your comments on Dimensions, current events or anything you want to talk about! Send your letters to: P.O. Box 856 Lubbock, TX 79408.

All letters must include name address and phone number. Names will be withheld if so requested.

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NEWS

WARNING !!!

FT. WORTH POLICE PLACE FAKE GAY AD

According to the TCGA NEWS Tarrant County Gay Alliance has discovered that a telephone number listed in a personal advertisement in an area gay publication belongs to the City of Fort Worth, and is apparently being answered by the Fort Worth Police. A local man notified Tarrant County Gay Alliance that he was supposed to meet with the man in the advertisement, but he never showed up, and also acted strange. When he began receiving harassing telephone calls a few days later, he became worried that the advertisement may have been a phony placed by an anti-gay hate group. A few months ago in Illinois, a hate group placed a fake personal ad in a gay publication. When the ad was answered, the group sent copies of the replies to neighbors and employers, along with a warning to 'avoid this homosexual at all costs.' A member of the Gay Alliance called the number printed in the advertisement (shown at right). A man's voice on an answering machine urged the caller to leave information, and stating that "Your call is very important to me, and I am very discreet." This seemed like a very odd message to put on an answering machine, so further investigation revealed that the telephone was located at 350 West Belknap Street, on the third floor. This address was not familiar to the TCGA investigator, but he guessed it might be the housing project at Belknap and Henderson streets. He decided to drive to the address, and was shocked to find that the address is that of the new county jail and Fort Worth Police administration building west of the Court House. The directory in the lobby showed the Police

Investigative Division on the third floor. The TCGA investigator reported an overwhelming feeling of disgust as he discovered that this fake ad to entrap gays was not placed by some kook, but by the Fort Worth Police, who are paid through his taxes to "protect" him.

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Relations between the gay community and Fort Worth Police Chief Thomas Windham have been somewhat cool. Windham promised an open line of communication between the police and gays, but has irked some gays and civil libertarians by what is seen as excessive interest in raiding businesses selling 'dirty' books and video tapes to consenting adults. Windham took credit for closing last year the city's only gay bookstore. Arrests of gays in public parks are up sharply. Although the laws against public lewdness apply equally to heterosexuals and homosexuals, we don't recall any arrest of heterosexual couples in automobile back seats.

Magazines accepting personal ads of this type are very careful to accept ads only from adults seeking other adults.

It would seem that the police would have

better things to do than sit around waiting for phone responses from ads in 'swinger' magazines. This ad is written in such a way that it may even appear in heterosexually-oriented magazines.

What's disturbing is wondering exactly what the police are doing with the names and phone numbers the ad generates. It would be naive to think that they are not keeping this information for 'queer files,' which takes us back to the 1970's. At that time the Fort Worth Police were observed taking down license plate numbers at gay bars and at a church with a ministry to gays. The predecessor organization of TCGA filed a civil action suit, and Judge Eldon B. Mahon ruled in March, 1978 that the police must cease this activity and destroy their files of license numbers.

The Gay Alliance finds the current action of the Fort Worth Police Department in the same vein: A gross invasion of the privacy of consenting adults. The publisher of the magazine involved says he has never run into a situation like this, and gay organizations in other Texas cities cannot recall local police being involved in such dirty business. The Gay Alliance requests that the Fort Worth City Council conduct an independent investigation as to whether this sort of activity is a proper function of the police department.

NAMES PROJECT NEEDS HELP FOR AIDS QUILT

SAN FRANCISCO- Organizers of the NAMES Project are requesting the assistance of local activists and organizations in building the national "AIDS Quilt" memorial. Fabric panels bearing the names of people lost to the AIDS epidemic are being sewn into a massive quilt for display in Washington, D.C. on Sunday, October 11, 1987. Creators of the fabric tribute are asking local organizations and individuals to sponsor panel-making workshops or

quilting bees during the week of August 17-24. Calling their effort "AIDS Quilt Week", organizers hope to encourage participation in the NAMES Project throughout the United States in time for the October 11th display on the Capitol Mall, part of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights.

"We hope that political clubs, AIDS agencies, sports teams, professional associations, churches, synagogues, and other groups will set aside time during Quilt Week to create memorial panels for their members and friends who have died," said Executive Director Cleve Jones. The three-foot by six-foot panels may be made of any durable, light-weight fabric. Complete panels will be sewn together by the NAMES Project in San Francisco, then shipped to Washington, DC for the National March. "We hope to include panels from every part of the country for the display at the Capitol, but we must receive them in San Francisco by September 15th," stressed Managing Director Mike Smith. "Local groups and individuals can help us reach this goal by sponsoring workshops and displays during AIDS Quilt Week."

For more information please contact the NAMES Project at 415/863-0767 or 415/626-5725. Tax deductible contributions may be sent to: The NAMES Project, P.O. Box 14573, San Francisco, CA 94114

DALLAS LESBIANS FORM ORGANIZATION

DALLAS- There is an amazing group of women in the city of Dallas who believe the time has come for lesbians to be a visible force of the community. Several hundred women have united under the name of the DALLAS AREA LESBIAN VISIONARIES (DALV). A name which clearly identifies their purpose. They share a vision that Dallas has the capacity to become one of the major Lesbian cultural centers in the southwest area.

They have implemented several projects that clearly state this to the rest of the world. First and most impressive was the establishment of a telephone hot-line aimed at informing callers of happenings and events in the area. The Lesbian Information Line (nicknamed 'LIL', area code 214-528-2426) goes beyond just being a calendar of events. It is a useful tool for travelers in search of a place to stay, people in search of a job, jobs in search of people, or anything else for which a use might be found. It consists of a recording informing the listener of events and allows for unlimited time to leave a message. The lines are monitored hourly and all calls returned.

Although the phone line will help Lesbians in the southwest, the Visionaries didn't stop there. They meet monthly and assess the needs, wants and issues of the community. They have established and helped coordinate special interest groups which allow those interested (in whichever groups) to participate at a level where they feel comfortable. Some of the groups available are: Arts & Entertainment, Sports, a Business Referral Directory, an Educators Support Group, Writers, Womenspace, a Newcomers Welcome Wagon, and many more.

The Visionaries made a terrific showing at Dallas' Razzle Dazzle. They have plans for a Lesbian "Floatilla" for the Gay Pride Parade. One special interest group is planning a Gay Festival Day which hopefully will become an annual event with music, crafts, entertainment and fun for all.

The DALV have the visions to determine what goals they want to achieve. They have the cohesive energies to accomplish any goal and they have a good track record. The Visionaries meet every third Tuesday of each month at Rumors (located at 5039 Willis) from 7:30-9:30. For information call LIL at (214)528-2426.

Dallas Area Lesbian Visionaries meets every third Tuesday of each month from 7:30 to 9:30 pmat Rumors, 5039 Willis.

Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists

The Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists (AGLP), after a two year period of rapid growth, has become one of the largest nationally oriented physicians' organizations in the United State dedicated to gay and lesbian issues. Current projections anticipate that AGLP will become the nation's largest sometime in 1987. In 1986, the American Psychiatric Association (APA) completely removed all references to homosexuality from its diagnostic nomenclature. Psychiatry is the only medical specialty to have taken a public stance that homosexuality does not represent a medical or mental disorder and has decried state laws discriminating against gays and lesbians. This stance has enabled many psychiatrists, who otherwise would have remained well closeted, to join the AGLP (which is loosely allied with the APA) resulting in AGLP's dramatic growth. AGLP will be celebrating its 10th Anniversary during the APA Annual Convention in Montreal in May of 1988. For further info write to AGLP; 1721 Addison Street; Philadelphia, Pa 19146

PAINTING EXHIBIT AND RECEPTION

AUSTIN- Liberty Books announces an exhibit of paintings entitled "Cork: Recent Works" through August 22.

Robert "Cork" Frausto, 32, is a native Texan of hispanic and Native American heritage. He is originally from San Antonio. He studied Art at the University of Texas and St. Edward's University in Austin.

Prior shows, all in San Antonio, include shows at Shown/Davenport Galleries; the Las Palmas and Cortez Branch S.A. Public Libraries; and a 24-foot mural depicting Holy Week in a chapel at St. George Maronite Church. He has also designed and built numerous award-

winning floats for the annual Fiesta parades in San Antonio.

Cork's recent works are in acrylic on wood or canvas, painted in an expressionistic/impressionistic style, using vivid colors. His subjects include bar scenes, portraits, and primitivist landscapes which are an exploration of gay identity. The paintings are available for sale.

Frausto will be honored with a reception in Liberty Books on Saturday, August 1, 1987, from 3-5 p.m.

WRITERS & EDITOR NEEDED FOR LESBIAN BOOKS

THE NAIAD PRESS, INC., P.O. Box 10543, Tallahassee, Florida, 32302 (904) 539-9322 is looking for an editor to handle an anthology to be published entitled **THERE'S SOMETHING I'VE BEEN MEANING TO TELL YOU**. The editor should be a Lesbian mother (birth or co-parent) who has experienced or expects to experience the process of disclosing sexual orientation, 'coming out', to the child or children.

We envision the anthology as being a source book of personal reminiscences of lesbians and gay men who are natural or co or adoptive parents and who are faced, will be faced, have been faced with the process of explaining their personal sexual orientation to their child or children.

THE NAIAD PRESS is also looking for several full length lesbian science fiction novels.

We are not interested in pseudo science fiction nor in tacked on lesbian characters but an intelligent balance between the fields of interest. To date no clearly classifiable lesbian science fiction exists with a handful of exceptions. This is a field crying for exploration. Lesbian authors, what planet are you on?

Contact Barbara Grier at 904-539-9322 or the address above for manuscript submission instructions. (DO NOT mail manuscript without preliminary contact,

no manuscripts are read at Naiad Press initially).

DALLAS AIDS FOOD PANTRY MOVED

DALLAS- The Food Pantry has been moved behind the AIDS Resource Center, 3920 Cedar Springs Road.

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For more info contact: **The Gathering**, Tulsa, OK 918-299-5298 or **Cosmos Productions** 918-445-0383

AUSTIN - NEXUS & PETTICOAT JUNCTION are the places to be on Sunday! There's **Free Beer** until 6pm at NEXUS with **Happy Hour** prices starting at 6 and going all night! **PETTICOAT JUNCTION** also has **Happy Hour** all night on Sundays so don't miss out! (For those of you who don't know, on Friday and Saturday Nights, you pay one cover charge for both bars and the patio. Dance to country & western, disco, or just sit and talk under the stars...the choice is yours!)

HORSE is playing the **Newlywed Game** every Friday night starting August 14th. Each night's winner will go to the finals in 6 weeks and the winner of the finals wins a weekend trip to Galveston and \$100 in cash!

SAN ANTONIO - Thursday, August 6th catch the **Miss Gay Tri-County** at the ROSE with **Jessica Welles** as Emcee. Also, there will be special appearances by **Tasha Kohl**, former Miss Gay America and **Pauletta de Leigh**, Miss Gay Southwest U.S.A. and former Miss Gay Texas.

AUSTIN - Lordy mercy! The **GETAWAY** has got a full month planned! We'll start with the weekly specials: Sundays the **Pool Tournament** starts at 6:30pm with **Beer Bust** from 9-10pm, Mondays, play "**Climb the Ladder**" starting at 8pm with 25¢ Draft beer, Wednesdays it's \$1.25 Corona all night long, and Thursdays, the ever-popular **Drink & Drown!** With all you can drink for \$5.00 or 75¢ Draft & Shots! On Fridays, check out the shows...on the 7th it's **Crystal Collins**, 14th - **Lady Victoria & Co.**, 21st - **Danielle Sommers** and the 28th - **Tamara Fox!** Saturday's are special nights at the **GETAWAY**, on the 8th, you can get wet at the **Wet T-Shirt Contest**, 15th - **A 50's Sock Hop**, 22nd - **The Dating Game, Part 2**, and

HOUSTON - The ROCK 'N' -11- on the 29th - an All Male

Impersonator Show! Oh Yeah, don't forget to say hello to **Karen** while your there! Enjoy!

SAN ANTONIO - Don't miss out on the **Tuesday Night Discussion Groups** every other Tuesday at the JEZEBEL. Not only are they informative, they're fun too! Check at the bar for upcoming topics and details.

DALLAS - Don't forget that you can play the **Dating Game** or the **Newlywed Game** every Wednesday night at **RUMORS!** Or, if you don't feel like romance then Thursday night **Bingo** and **Trivial Pursuit** is may be the thing for you!

DID YOU KNOW

HOUSTON - **BACCHUS & DIMENSIONS**, with the help of alot of people raised over \$1400 for the **Omega House** at a benefit last month in Houston. **Omega House** is a care facility for AIDS patients and the benefit was held in honor of **Cheryl** (last name withheld), the first woman admitted. **Cheryl** died

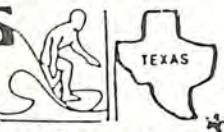
on the 13th of July. The **RANCH** donated equipment and **Betsy** (owner of the **RANCH**) was behind the bar helping out all night long. We should all applaud the efforts of those involved. Over 23 people performed and many more helped out behind the scenes. Thanks everyone!

SAN ANTONIO - A **Holy Union** between **June** and **Carol**, new owners of The **ROSE** in San Antonio took place on June 13th at the **MCC** church in San Antonio. A small reception was held afterwards at The **ROSE**. Followed by a three day trip to South Padre Island. **Congratulations!**

HOUSTON - "GULP" the musical produced by **Marion Coleman** was held over at **KINDRED SPIRITS** due to popular demand! Although we haven't seen it, we've heard it's great and a **Dimensions** rep will see it before it's run is up and we'll have full details next month!

AUSTIN - **MCC Austin River Rabbits** tubed down the San Marcos River, July 11th. If you are interested in future summer activities call 929-3660. Don't miss out!

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Dear Agnes

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Dear Agnes,

I am twenty-five years old and I fell in love with a woman who was eleven years older than me. She knew that I loved her, but she felt that I was only "in love" with her. I helped her get over her last lover and I stood by her. She helped me get over a rape that happened in March. We were together for seven months and have had several fights.

My problem is that she just told me she has been seeing my best friend. I was very shocked. Both of them have told me that they did not mean for this to happen. They have even asked me to share a house with them.

I do need a place to live. I have been staying at my ex-lovers house and so has her new girlfriend. I sleep in the kid's room or in the floor. It hurts me knowing that there is someone on my side of the bed. I still get along with my ex-lover, but not too well with my best friend.

My question is, do you think I will just keep hurting myself if I keep living with them?

My ex-lover knows that I will always be there for her and I feel she will always be there for me. I just can't stand to talk to my best friend anymore.

Am I wrong for that?

Confused In Denton

Dear Confused,

Yes, move out immediately if not sooner! Living in the same house with them is not going to help your already ailing ego or self esteem. Life is too short to put yourself through such emotional hell. Noone can be all giving all of the time, and it is definately time for you to stop giving. Your letter leaves me with the impression that you feel you have brought this on yourself. If there is a victim, it's you. You shouldn't feel guilty about moving out, or about not wanting to talk to your "best friend". However remember your "best friend" did not get in this situation all by herself. As I have said before, often we place blame on friends and not lovers, when in fact lovers are just as much to blame, if not more.

Dear Agnes,

I moved to Houston three weeks ago. I am eighteen and I have a lover who had to stay home while I am here going to school. I'm very in love with her. Since I came here I decided to see how much I love her and how faithful I am. So I tried going out to the clubs here and I met nice looking women that were interested in me. I noticed that I didn't want of feel anything for them.

My lover is only 16 and, according to the law, she cannot leave home until she is 17. Her parents hate me because they won't accept that we are gay and love each other. So, I can't even write to her. I talk to her once a week on the phone and she tells me she loves me and she will wait. But both of us are going crazy without each other. This is the longest we have ever been apart. What do we do?

Going Crazy in Houston

Dear Crazy,

There is nothing to do but wait! According to the law, you could be put in jail for contributing to the delinquency of a minor and/or kidnapping and statutory rape. Considering the way her parents feel this is a very real possibility if she leaves home to live with you right now.

A year may seem like a long time to you right now, but try to see the positive side of your separation. You will have time to make new friends and concentrate on establishing yourself in school. Separation is often viewed in a negative fashion, but it doesn't have to be, if you will work on improving yourself. Plus, you will have much more to offer her once the separation is over.

Your letter does not mention if there is another place she could pick up your letters. A post office box does not cost that much, or if she has a friend you could send her mail to it would make your time apart much less painful. Phone conversations are great, but letters are much more personal and, unlike phone conversations, they are more permanent and can be read

over and over. If you find a way to get mail to your lover, be aware that she needs to be very, very careful with those letters. Especially in her parents house. Good luck.



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13 WAYS TO MAKE SURE A ROMANCE DOESN'T WORK

No, these aren't recommendations, but rather things to watch out for!

by Ashley Taylor

1. On the first date, you talk about having a commitment.

Concentrate on having a good time and getting to know each other. Don't be pushy about a commitment, you might push that person away.

2. Nag and worry about her ex.

Come on girls everyone is allowed to have a past. Concentrate on making your current relationship satisfying for both of you.

3. Take your date to the bar and then gripe about who she dances with.

That's what bars are for, to socialize and have a good time. If you can't handle that, then I wish you good luck when you invite your date to come over and dance with only you in between commercials on your stereo.

4. If you are into athletics and your date isn't, do not talk about how to slide into home plate. If you are

somewhat femme, don't tell your date all about picking out nail polish. Try to talk about things both of you can get into.

5. Think that everyone is after your woman. Don't be possessive. You might think that your girlfriend is top-notch, but to others she may be like Lassie; friendly but too furry.

6. Take her for granted. Expect to have a meal on the table and your clothes washed. If you keep doing this, you will run her off and then you'll have to eat your own cooking.

7. Love her only when she's happy, strong and confident. She needs you more when she is down and out. If you won't give her support, there is always someone else who will.

8. After the 1st. night you sleep together, tell her she reminds

you of so & so in bed. Then you can then try yelling "Good morning" as she is walking out the front door.

9. Criticize the dresses she wears. At least, her wardrobe does not consist strictly of 501s and flannel shirts. There's always someone who will like that dress or the stores wouldn't sell it.

10. Expect your girlfriend to be Princess Charming everyday. Everyone has an off day. It's ok for her to "muddy" her white horse-- haven't you muddied yours a couple of times.

11. Expect your girlfriend to think your best friend is super. Just because you enjoy watching your friend slam down beers and dance on tables, doesn't mean your girlfriend does. You can not expect her to like

everything you like.

12. Get angry and make a scene if she talks to her ex. Get a grip, Honey! It says alot about a person if they can be friends with their ex-lovers. Are you friends with any of yours?

13. Last but not least, expect your lover to do everything with you. Sometimes it is nice to go shop with a friend or have a beer. Let your wife out of the house without you being 10 inches behind her and you might have more things to talk about when you are together. A relationship that puts other activities and friends in the back seat is more than likely headed for disaster.

Of course, you should take all this with several grains of salt and please don't call us in the morning if this advice doesn't work!



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The Spring of My 27 Years Olds

by J Harlow

It was April of '85 when they all were together as part of my life. Each spaced well apart in their 27th year. The eldest, who would turn 28 on the 5th of June was the newest of my acquaintances, the one who would flutter quickly through my life leaving a dark void of mental yearning. Jill, with her purple streaked hair, her ribboned pigtail, her ultra bright green tennis shoes, her latest college mod clothes, daring the world to consider her a part of the norm. She could pass for 18 when she laughed and looked unassuredly around the room. But she seemed older than her years when I looked into her light green eyes and saw worry or pain. I would never know for sure which, our friendship was much too new for me to pry. But I was sure of one thing, the wisdom I saw within those eyes would make it possible for her to write the novels she was longing to create. She would pass through my life as a cool summer rain leaving my life sparkling, refreshed, wanting and longing for more.

The youngest had just turned 27 in January. Terry the most domesticated of the three as maybe she well should have been with a 7 year old son to raise. Still she was the youngest and seemed the youngest. My first sense of her was loneliness, isolation. I wanted to reach out and

hold her close within my arms. Hers was the most stable of the three friendships. Our working together would give our friendship the time needed to develop.

The middle one, Shannon, my young filly. Twenty seven last year on the 9th of September. She pranced around in fields of clover and honey, flirting and romancing all who came within her view. I had known her the longest but only learned her name on my birthday, May 2. For she was the present I gave myself. An hour I gave myself to sit, eat chocolate-chip ice cream and bask in the radiance of her personality. Shannon, I knew when I asked her name it would not be an ordinary name. It had to fit her personality. It did. Hers was the most unlikely friendship, the one that could not be for she was a butch and butches have always been repulsive to me. But her personality, her laughter, her smile, and most of all her deep brown eyes that always seem to be probing into a secret place within my heart kept drawing me restlessly back to her. She has a very special place in my heart, always, always, for it was her honesty, finally, about her life, her lover that changed the course of my life and began my slow recovery from homophobia. Thank you, Shannon.



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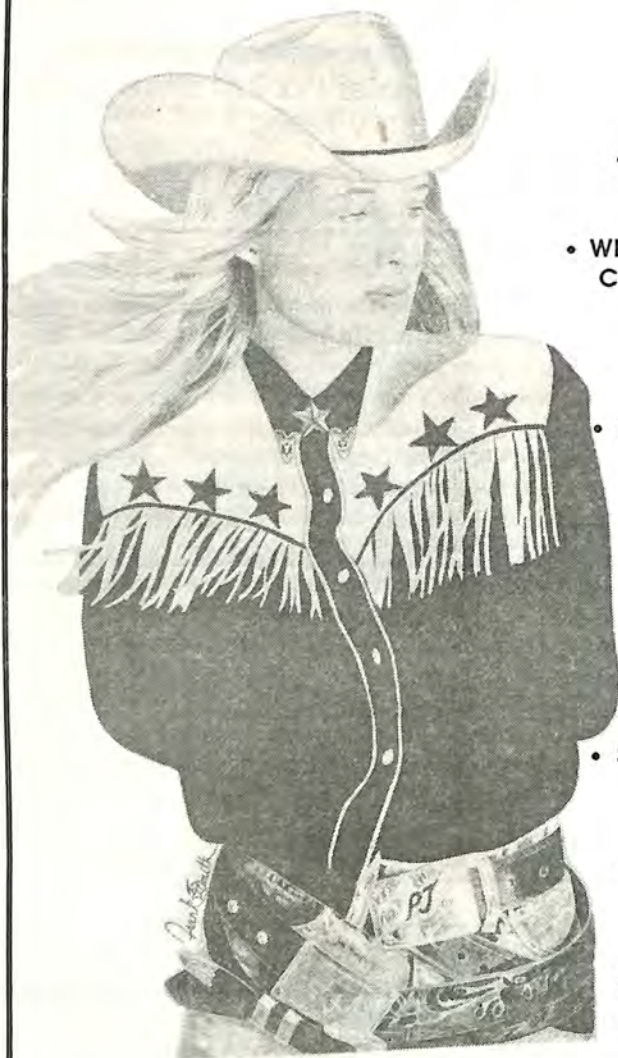
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Couples - The First Year

The first part of a continuing series



by "Pam"

You have finally found "Ms. Right!" She is everything you've dreamed of. Remember how excited you were to find out on your first date that she was a true blue Stevie Nicks fan when you have always adored Stevie Nicks and your ex hated her? You both smoke the same brand of cigarettes, have the same zodiac sign and talk about fireworks when you get between the sheets!

While riding high on this wave of bliss, you suddenly realize that you don't have anymore room in your closet because your lover's clothes are occupying the extra space. Instead of just spending weekends together, you're now arranging time schedules for the bathroom to get ready for work in the mornings.

What happens next? You decide officially to live together in a place of your own. If you are like most women, you both have ideas about what your "love nest" should be like. My lover and I thought we had found just the right place, a place that had something for both of us. I wanted a big kitchen and a place for a washer and dryer. She wanted a garage or carport so she would have a place to work on the cars. It also had a fireplace which we both loved. The best part of all was that it fit into our budget with a few "minor" repairs, which we (my lover since I'm not very mechanically inclined) were willing to do. We (I) decided the repairs should be made before we moved in so everything would be perfect. With this in mind, the weekend before the big move-in, we went to the new house all prepared to replace faucets, ceiling tiles and paint. Now, it is at times like this that you learn just how well you

both work together and just how much patience your lover really has.

Since I was all eager to help get everything done but my lover knew I'd be in the way, she decided to send me to the hardware store while she took the faucet apart. (Now I was glad to do this because I didn't want to mess with icky faucets anyway, but I didn't tell her that.) As I was heading for the door, she asked me to shut the water off since the cut-off valve was right outside the front door. Sure. Fine. No Problem. That sounds easy enough. I could handle that!

When I got back from the store, there she was, sitting on the front porch, water dripping down her hair and t-shirt, smoking a cigarette and looking madder than hell. I took one look and asked, "What's wrong?"

She just looked at me and through tightly clenched teeth and speaking very calmly and precisely said, "Didn't you hear me ask you to turn the water off?"

I said, "Sure, I turned it off."

She said, (again, very calmly), "Which way did you turn the valve?"

"I turned it this way," I said and showed her the direction.

That's when the screaming started... "YOU TURNED IT UP FULL BLAST!"

Needless to say, I thought she had great patience for restraining herself that long.

I saw just how much patience when I walked into the kitchen and saw water on the ceiling, floor, cabinets and countertops from the woman-made fountain.

She proceeded to tell me how she had to balance the toolbox over the center nozzle with the hot and cold knobs, while the

force of the water kept pushing it off, so she could run to the front of the house and *really* turn the water off while she could hear me backing out of the driveway.

After that, we (she) decided that most of the other repairs would wait until we got settled in. As I said, great patience, and I did say I was not mechanically inclined.

Whatever anyone has told you about not knowing someone until you live with them, don't doubt any of it for a minute. This is what I call "The Awakening" She likes the bed sheets tucked in, you like your feet to hang out. You want a minor blizzard in the bedroom at night while she has fifteen blankets on top of her. (It's damned hard to make love through fifteen blankets.) She puts all her clothes away after she changes from work, you throw yours in a corner to be picked up after you've relaxed awhile (if then). She loves going shopping for anything, you just pick up a pair of jeans and you're ready to go home. Sometimes it even gets a little bizarre, like, do you like your toilet paper over or under?

After one or the other can't stand it anymore, you start to have discussions about these things (we all know that in any great relationship, you never fight, you "discuss") This also brings about a new definition of the "barter system." You pick up your clothes, I'll put the TP under.

During all these discussions (if you are both still in one piece), you slip into the "Mellowing Stage." You start to accept the fact that while your lover does have faults, so do you. You are not going to agree on, or like everything that she does. You are two separate people and it does take a lot of work and communication to become one.

She is still the "Ms. Right" you thought she was, only better; because during the first year, you also found a friend with a shoulder to lean on, a smiling face to come home to at the end of a bad day. In short, someone to share the good as well as the bad times with, someone who understands you.



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FACTS

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KNOW.

Most of us know by now how the AIDS virus is transmitted and, as lesbians, most of you probably know a lot about safe sex for men and heterosexuals. You may also have heard that several lesbians in the U.S. have or have died of AIDS. These cases *are* isolated, but what about you?

Everyone has focused so much attention on the "high risk groups" that many lesbians have the mistaken idea that they cannot get AIDS. Those who have wondered if they are at risk have found it hard to get information about safe sex for lesbians or how they can protect themselves against the AIDS virus.

AM I AT RISK?

Yes, if you:

- Share needles or other paraphernalia if using IV drugs. This is the most important single risk factor for lesbians.
- Have had sexual contact with :
 - people who use IV drugs
 - men who have had gay sex since 1979
 - people of either sex whose

you are considering pregnancy. Listed below you will find the safe sex guidelines for lesbians who have reason to believe they may be infected with the AIDS virus or whose activities may place them at risk. Most coincide with safe sex practices for gay men and heterosexuals although there are some differences.

"Everyone has focused so much on 'high-risk groups' that many lesbians have the mistaken idea that they cannot get AIDS."

- sexual histories are unknown
 - people who are hemophiliac, or who have received blood transfusions or blood products between 1979-1985.
- Have used semen for donor insemination from a donor in a high risk group who is known to be antibody positive or whose risk status is unknown.
- Have received a blood transfusion or blood products between 1979-1985

If you think you may have been exposed to the AIDS virus you may want to consider taking the AIDS antibody test at a testing site where your anonymity is guaranteed. If the antibody is found you may not get AIDS but you will be infectious for an indefinite period of time. You may also want to take the test if

SAFE SEX PRACTICES

If either woman may be carrying the virus, she should not allow her menstrual blood, vaginal secretions, urine, feces or breast milk to enter her partner's body through the mouth, rectum, vagina or broken skin. Although the virus has been found in saliva, there is no evidence that it can be transmitted through this fluid.

Safe Sex practices for Lesbians at Risk

- massage, hugging
- social (dry) kissing
- body-to-body rubbing
- voyeurism, exhibitionism, fantasy
- masturbation
- vibrators or other sex toys (keep separate toys for each partner and always use your own on yourself)
- S/M or other activities that do not involve the exchange of body fluids

Possibly Safe Sex Practices

- oral-genital contact (cunnilingus) using a thin piece of latex placed between the vulva and the tongue.
- hand/finger-to-genital contact, vaginal or anal penetration with finger(s) using a disposable latex glove.
- french (wet) kissing
- anal-oral contact (rimming) with a latex barrier

Unsafe Sex Practices

- unprotected cunnilingus (especially during menstruation)
- unprotected hand/finger-to-vagina contact especially if you have cuts on hands
- sharing needles (IV or other skin piercing needles)
- blood contact of any kind including menstrual blood
- urine or feces in mouth or vagina
- unprotected rimming (anal-oral contact)
- fisting (hand in vagina/rectum)
- sharing sex toys that have contact with body fluids.

If you have sex with men in high risk groups, learn about, and always use a condom.

You may also wonder what all this has to do with you if you and your lesbian friends are not at a high risk for AIDS.

- Many lesbians have been affected by the AIDS related death or illness of friends and loved ones.
- The AIDS epidemic emphasizes the need to address the problems of substance abuse, and especially IV drug use within the lesbian community.

- Insemination choices and co-parenting options have been limited by AIDS.
- Many lesbians are involved in AIDS related work as volunteers and paid workers.

Approximately 7% of the people with AIDS in the U.S. are women - 50% of these women are Black, 23% Hispanic, 26% are Caucasian.

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AIDS in the
U.S.*

Most lesbians are not at a high risk for contracting or transmitting the AIDS virus. However, if you use IV drugs or have unsafe sexual contact with people in a high risk group you are at risk.

If you have any questions concerning Lesbians and AIDS, contact your local AIDS organization or the San Francisco AIDS Foundation Hotline at (415) 863-AIDS.

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Poetry

I drop

*into the fearful needs
of my human heart,
into the dark fields of my dreams.
heart too old, too tired,
too full of yearnings and regrets
not knowing
what to do about them
I need you*

*You've made a memory that lives still
and does not set me free,
it lives as long as lovers tell lovers
of lovers they loved
I need you.*

*Woman,
you are
my heart's cry
the silent meaning
singing
the sweet
sounds of love
bring your
melody of joy.
All I need
you are
All I need alone
to be always my own,
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no other touch to need.
Woman,
you are
my heart's desire.*

-poems by Helga Cozad, Austin, TX

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T F 1. When you have finished a project, you wonder if you did it correctly.

T F 2. After you visit with someone at a party, you worry you possibly said something rude or offending.

T F 3. You don't like to talk about other people's faults because you are afraid you might be wrong about them.

T F 4. Sometimes you think that the people you work with are not happy with what you turn out--work wise.

T F 5. You usually do not feel you have taken on too much in school or on the job.

T F 6. You feel like you have perfect manners at formal social gatherings and dinner parties.

T F 7. You consider yourself a fairly 'with it and up-to-date' type person.

T F 8. Rarely do you worry about your sexual performance.

T F 9. You feel that people take you seriously in the things you have to say.

T F 10. Sometimes you are afraid the people you associate with criticize your opinions and ideas.

T F 11. If you think you have made a bad first impression, you will most definitely will try to fix it.

T F 12. When involved in a sports activity, you do not worry too often about how well you did, or what the other teammates think of your athletic ability.

T F 13. Sometimes you feel like people think you are weird.

Using the method below, add up your score--then read on!

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If You Scored:

20-26: You know yourself well! You are aware of your strong, as well as, weak points. You have a lot of self-confidence and believe in what you do. People feel stable around you because of all the self-assurance you project.

12-19: Your self-esteem tends to be up and down. Sometimes you feel like your doing everything great and other times you have no self-confidence. Go back over this quiz and look at what you scored zeroes on. Try to identify what situations make you feel insecure. Is it work or social gatherings? Then try to work on it.

Below 12: You worry alot that your not "up to par" in all the

things you do. You have no self-confidence and you worry about how other people see you. You most likely spend so much time worrying about what you do wrong that you don't see any of your strong points. Work on identifying the reasons you feel insecure and then go on a big self-improvement kick. You will be surprised at the things you do right.



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What's in the Stars for you this Month?

Love, Money, Travel

LEO

(July - Aug 22)

The first week of August may find your domestic life in turmoil, especially if you cannot reach an agreement on the matters at hand. Try to see both sides and don't be standoffish because of your pride. Go out and socialize, now is not a good time for feeling sorry for yourself. This is an excellent time to start a creative project, but keep in mind the negative as well as the positive side to it. The 9th to the 17th your love life may still be on the tight rope. This could be an excellent time to change strategies. It will be hard for anyone to outshine the Lion this week. Everything seems to go your way and your mood will show it. Financial matters and business are in good condition as the last week of August approaches. All your hard work is paying off. Don't let all this success go to your head. Work may find you rescheduling social activities, but it will pay off.

VIRGO

(Aug 23 - Sept 22)

The first week of August may leave you with a feeling you have been on a rollercoaster. Love and money seem to be fine one minute and at odds the next. Involve yourself in social outings and do the spring cleaning you have been putting off. From the 9th to the 16th don't let stress get you down. Financial matters are working for you this week. A short trip could be just what you need to get an insight on the matters at hand. The 17th to the 23rd is your week for love,

money, and adventure. Don't worry about getting into anything you can't get out of. This is a good week to enjoy social life too. The last week of August could find everything going your way, but don't let it go to your head. This is an excellent time to plan for your future (education, financial, home, etc.) .

LIBRA

(Sept 23 - Oct 23)

The first week of August could be trying, especially with friends. Someone you have counted on may not be there. Socially and career wise things look promising this week. There may be a new acquaintance that will fascinate you. The 9th to the 16th may find you with more to do than you have time for. Be diplomatic if you have to cancel plans. Tread cautiously in the business arena, don't make any decisions without personally checking them out. The 17th to the 23rd is a good time to stay in home territory and concentrate on your career. Career and love may come in direct conflict. The last week of August finds you hard at work. There may be some conflicts with a lover this week. Don't discuss your private life right now. Your social life may be very demanding, but your first priority is work.

SCORPIO

(Nov 23 - Dec 21)

The first week of August may find you heavily involved in you career or other activities. This may result in a conflict with your love life. Investigate

your financial decisions closely this week. The **9th to the 16th** is an excellent time to involve yourself in work or a new project you are interested in. Don't press romantic issues right now. The **17th to the 23rd** may find you tired from the demands of work. Now is an excellent time to do the financial planning you have been putting off. This is also a good week for planning the trip you haven't had time for. Get out and circulate, there are new people you should meet. The last week of August continues to be a great time to mingle. You will attract the people you need now. You may find yourself taking a vacation. Leave your home well secured and watch money and valuables on vacation. Enjoy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23 - Dec 21)

The first week of August may be rough in the romance department. You may have read the cards all wrong about what your prospective lover wants (or wanted). Don't fret, get out and mingle. Toward the end of the week, work will occupy more and more of your time. The **9th to the 16th** may find you caught between friends. Don't take sides! Concentrate your energies on work and making plans. This is a great time to plan your vacation. The **17th to the 23rd** may find some Sagittarians off on vacation. Some may be working on plans (educational, career, etc..). Midweek could find you making a major decision or commitment about a relationship. The last week of August centers around work and career for Sagittarians. There could be a promotion for you. Remember to show appreciation to the people who have supported you; especially love ones.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22 - Jan 20)

The first week of August is a great time to keep your energies focused on work. Don't get side-tracked. Your love life may be falling apart over jealousy this

week, but it will pass. The **9th to the 16th** financial matters may still be the primary focus of your attention. Over-spending may have caught up with you or unexpected expenses. Whichever, use your creative abilities in finance to get you through. The **17th to the 23rd** may be frustrating. A project you have been working on does not seem to be going as scheduled. Start planning a long awaited vacation. The time off will do you good, but be sure you plan everything out. The last week of August may find you caught up in planning for your future. Don't let anyone hold you back. Make time for social activities and fun.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 18)

The first week of August may find you feeling pressured to achieve. Most likely, loved ones are where the pressure is coming from. You need support, not pressure. Seek it from good friends. The **9th to the 16th** may be highly emotional days. Keep your sense of humor, it will help get you through. Midweek things calm down and you may meet someone you are very attracted to. Have an open mind. The **17th to the 23rd** may find you caught between attractions and commitments. There are hard decisions ahead in both love and career. Choose wisely. There are financial rewards associated with all this upheaval. The last week of August may find you studying your financial situation rather closely. Toward the end of the week make time for love and social affairs. You have earned some fun.

PISCES (Feb 19 - Mar 20)

You may feel drawn between work and play this first week of August. Weigh your priorities carefully and avoid conflict. From the **9th to the 16th** be decisive, otherwise you will be an emotional mess. Emotionally, things will smooth out after the full moon passes. Organize well,

especially at work and financially. The 17th to the 23rd is an excellent week to socialize and catch up on the things you enjoy. Work and a positive development in a special relationship should put you in a positive frame of mind this week. The last week of August may find you ready to start on a new enterprise. Dive in. Do check all financial details and legal matters yourself. Read the fine print, twice if you have to.

ARIES

(Mar 21 - April 19)

The first week of August may find you wanting to get away by yourself or focusing most of your attention on a special project. Personal relationships may only add to this desire. The 9th to the 16th watch your finances; yes, friends will take advantage of you. If you do get carried away in the spending department, you'll have to pay up and could end up missing out on a hot financial deal. The 17th thru the 23rd is an excellent week to take a vacation and get away from it all. The last week of August things fall more into place for Aries, work comes into focus. Check your work carefully and be sure you are 'into it', otherwise, mistakes could result. Follow your intuitions now they won't lead you astray.

TAURUS

(April 20 - May 20)

The first week of August may be a trying one for the Bull. It may seem that every way you turn something is wrong. Keep your cool. You could possibly find yourself in the middle of some bad situations. The 9th to the 16th the full moon may still be causing emotional unrest in your home life. Try talking thing out, it will probably help. Don't rush into any new projects just now. Your social life may be the only bright spot this week. But, it will keep you occupied. The 17th to the 24th your home life will settle down and you may

find yourself wondering what all the fuss was about the first few days of August. Financial matters are looking up, too. The last week of August is a good time to start planning for your future (career, education, etc.). August leaves the Bull in a much more positive frame of mind than it started in.

GEMINI

(May - June 21)

Keep your plans flexible the first week in August. There may be delays and mix-ups, but you can handle it if you keep your sense of humor. Double-check all financial moves this week. The 9th to the 17th, it may be best to avoid daydreaming this week and stick to your work. Don't rely too much on other people right now. The 18th to the 23rd is a good week to relax and entertain at home. People feel good around you now and it is a good time to extend yourself to others. The 24th thru the 31st resist the urge to get involved in too many projects. Study your priorities carefully and choose what is really right for you. August looks like a busy month for Gemini.

CANCER

(June 22 July 22)

August does not necessarily start out on a positive note and money may play a big part of the picture. This may be the perfect time to sit down and plan a budget. Otherwise the situation could cause domestic problems. The 9th to the 16th finances are still a major focus of your life. Perhaps it is time to talk to everyone in the house about how serious the situation really is. The 17th to the 23rd work may be all you can handle the first part of the week. A new romantic interest has your attention now, but move slowly. The last week of August may find you caught up in a flurry of social activities. Relax and enjoy yourself you deserve it!



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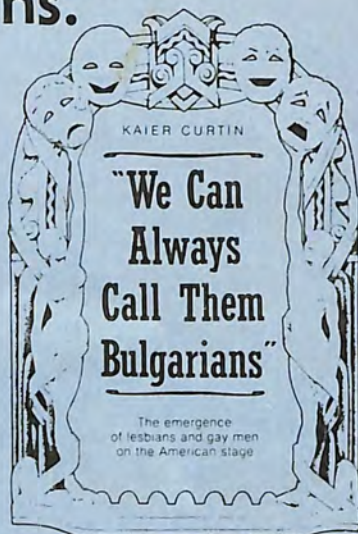
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