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# Guelph Gay Quality

OCTOBER 1982

GGE - 9 YEARS OLD!

It's October again, and Oct. 23 is the anniversary of our founding meeting in 1973. The past year has seen a number of changes in GGE.

COMMUNITY SERVICE STATUS

Early in 1982, Guelph Gay Equality was recognized as a community service organization by the Central Student Association of the University of Guelph. Formerly we were a student club, with limited funding and requirements for student control. Our new status entitles us to more funding and a community, rather than a campus focus.

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Cartoon: David Shenton

## NEW CONSTITUTION

In April 1982, GGE voted into place a new constitution, increasing the executive committee from 3 to 6 people. Members can now take an active role in setting policy and direction for GGE, by attending the general meetings which are held every other month. These meetings are held in the evening of the first Thursday of April, June, August, October and December. Details of the October 6th meeting are listed under Coming Events on the back cover.

## NEW OFFICE

In September we moved into a new office, Room 537, University Centre, University of Guelph, which is located next door to the lounge where we are currently holding our weekly meetings. This new location is much more private and already it has attracted new people for counselling and information.

## GAYLINE - 5 NIGHTS PER WEEK

The Gayline is now being staffed by volunteers, five nights each week. Monday is Womens' Night and Tuesday to Friday men are staffing the line. Approximately 12 volunteers work on the line, speaking individually with 50 to 100 callers each week. We can always use more volunteers, so give it some thought.

## REGULAR DANCES

With our reorganization, it is now easier to plan events such as dances. We have a six-month schedule drawn up for our monthly dances at the U.E.W. Hall.

A dance, organized by Women, will be held in November. We are also now involved in the Southwest Ontario Region of CGRO (Coalition for Gay Rights in Ontario) which has started holding dances. The first at Bridgeport was held on September 17, and was a tremendous success.

## WE NEED YOU!

It might sound like everything is under control, but we continually need ideas, money and a few hours of work from people like yourself. If you can spare some time, come to a weekly meeting or general meeting, or contact a member of the Executive Committee. Help us out too by getting your friends involved in Guelph Gay Equality.

-Jim-

## FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Begin the day with friendliness.  
Keep friendly all day long.  
Keep in your soul a friendly thought-

In your heart a friendly song.  
Have in your mind a word of cheer  
For all who come your way,  
And they will greet you too, in turn-  
And wish you a happy day.

## WOMYNS' VIEW

A community of Lesbians does exist within Guelph. Lesbians do not have to be few and far between. We are starting to merge.

A small group of Lesbians have been working with Guelph Gay Equality, in efforts to build an open and safe space for Lesbians to get together. .../3

Dances and monthly gatherings are in the planning stages. Phone line services are already being offered. Our first dance will be Saturday November 13 at the Polish Hall. An evening for Womyn will be taking place on October 25 (see Coming Events on back cover).

We need and offer support and strength. We want to talk, help, understand and grow with you. Please join us, in Room 536, University Centre, University of Guelph at 8 PM, the fourth Tuesday of every month. See you there.

-Mary-

## BOOKS

### TOP 10 NON-FICTION

- 1 Flaunting It
- 2 Flesh
- 3 Homosexualization of America
- 4 Anal Pleasure and Health
- 5 Meat
- 6 Gays Under the Cuban Revolution
- 7 Gay Fathers
- 8 With Downcast Gays
- 9 Rocking the Cradle
- 10 Mayor of Castro Street

### TOP 10 FICTION

- 1 The Boy Who Picked the Bullets Up
- 2 Perfect Freedom
- 3 History of Shadows
- 4 Aphrodisiac
- 5 A Brothers Touch
- 6 Sundays Child
- 7 Late in the Season
- 8 Colbalt

- 9 Say Jesus and Come to Me
- 10 Gravedigger

(Glad Day Bookstore - Toronto)

## LAMBDA REVISITED

Many nice things have been said about our article a while back concerning the Lambda Symbol. We thought it was an excellent story as well. It was also noted that it was picked up and run in other Gay Newsletters. We have slapped our wrists for not giving credit, where credit is due.

The article in question was reprinted from 'Gay News' a London, England based publication, the author being 'Fifth Freedom.

## NEWSLETTER

As most of you have probably noticed the Newsletter format has been changing over the past while. All our Newsletters are now being prepared with the help of a Radio Shack Computer with Word-processing facilities, owned and operated by WORDS PLUS LTD. in Guelph, a company offering just about everything in office services. If you need any work done, just call 822-6332.

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SEND TO: NEWSLETTER, BOX 773,  
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the gayline 836-4550

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## COMING EVENTS

- Tue. Oct. 5: VIDEO MOVIE NIGHT:  
"MAKING LOVE" starring Kate Jackson and Micheal Ontkean.
- Thu. Oct. 7: GENERAL MEETING:  
A General Meeting of the membership of GGE.  
Discussion of events, policies etc.  
Room 334, U.C. Building at 8 PM
- Sat. Oct. 9: CGRO CONFERENCE:  
A conference sponsored by CGRO will be held in London, Ontario, October 9 to 11th.
- Tue. Oct. 12: DISCUSSION:  
A general discussion, with respect to public sex. An interesting audio tape will be played.
- Tue. Oct. 19: GUEST SPEAKER:  
Ruth Rutledge, from Parents of Gays will give an interesting talk about her organization.
- Fri. Oct. 22: CONCERT:  
Heather Bishop. Sponsored by Womens' Issues Collective. Rm. 103, U.C. Building, U. of G.  
Check with WIC for time and admission charge.
- Tue. Oct. 26: WOMENS' NIGHT (GUEST SPEAKER):  
Speaker from Lesbian Mothers Defence Fund.
- Fri. Oct. 29: DANCE AT SCHOOLHOUSE:  
Halloween Dance. Prizes for the best costume.  
Remember: Membership cards required for door prizes and admission discount! 611 Silvercreek Pkwy., Guelph, at 9 PM.
- Sat. Oct. 30: WOMENS' DANCE:  
At the Schoolhouse, 611 Silvercreek Pkwy., Guelph, at 8 PM. Sponsored by LOOK. Sorry gentlemen; Women Only.
- Tue. Nov. 2: VIDEO MOVIE NIGHT:  
An Oldie but Goodie. Title to be announced.  
Check Gayline.

ALL COMING EVENTS HELD IN RM. 536, U.C. BUILDING, U. of G.,  
AT 8 PM UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.