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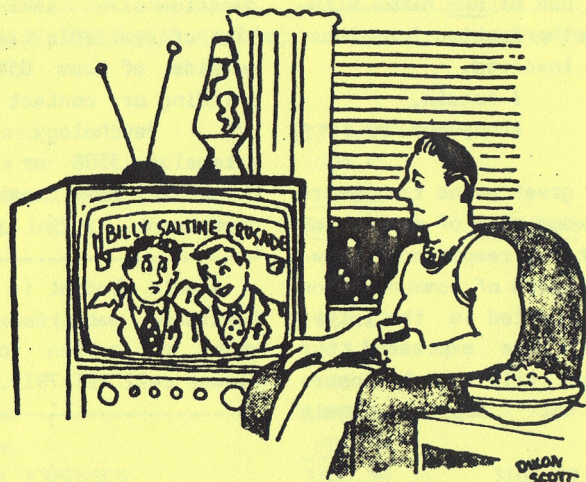
## OUR ELECTION - TUESDAY APRIL 5TH

Annual elections for half of the six executive positions will be held on April 5th. After the election, the three old and three new executive members will decide on how responsibilities are to be divided.

Guelph Gay Equality needs and deserves good leadership. We are an organization which is recognized both locally and throughout Ontario as one of the oldest and most active gay community service groups in Canada. Help us live up to that reputation!

Whether you have particular skills or not, this is an opportunity for you to spend a few hours each month, helping shape the future for G.G.E. As an executive member you can be as open or anonymous about your involvement as you wish. By serving your community, you will also learn some very useful new skills.

Come out to the April 5th meeting to vote, to volunteer your services or to nominate someone else. Executive positions are open to women and men, student or community members who are members of G.G.E. at the time of the election.



*"Let's all join hands and pray for the homosexuals.  
And this time, Fred, you leave your clothes on".*



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On two recent occasions of which I am aware, GGE has used unauthorized license by printing the surnames of two members of our community in the GGE monthly Newsletter. Unfortunately, as a result, one of these individuals has declined future association with GGE on any level.

Although the recent Homophobia Conference tried to help us break down some of these Homophobic walls, some members of our community still maintain as discrete a profile as possible, for various reasons which remain their own business.

As a member of the Gay community, I strongly urge all of us to remember, and practice, the following: 1. Do not be presumptuous to think that whoever you meet with a friend (or friends) also shares the confidence of knowing their sexuality; and 2. That any future items in the GGE Newsletter, Posters, Leaflets etc. exclude the use of any names without prior authorization from those individuals involved.

I remain,  
Anonymous.

Ed. Note

We take great pains to ensure that the anonymity of members of our community is respected. However, a breakdown of communication occurred as reported in the letter above. We have expressed our apologies and will try to ensure it does not happen again

While we are aware of one incidence of the use of a surname without prior checking, we are not aware of the other. We would be most appreciative to hear from 'anonymous' so our apologies can be made.

Editor

ATTENTION GAYLINE VOLUNTEERS

All Women and Men who are currently working on the Gayline and any others who are interested in becoming counsellors, are requested to attend a planning meeting, Monday, April 18, in Room 334, University Centre Building, at 7:30 PM.

WANT ADS

MALE subjects needed for Master's thesis study (under the auspices of the University of Guelph Psychology Department) of the development of sexual orientation. Subjects will be required to complete an anonymous questionnaire taking 1/2 hour. List of available times are posted outside of Room 034A, Mackinnon Building or contact Ted Guloienc/o Psychology Department, extension 3508 or 2167 or via University mail service at above department.

A male student is looking for a furnished room for the summer, with an option for the fall. Please call 821-XXXX.

FILM MAKERS LOOKING FOR VISUAL MATERIALS FOR GAY HISTORY FILM

The producers of BEFORE STONEWALL, the public television funded documentary on the history of America's lesbian and gay community prior to the 1970s, are looking for materials--photographs, home movies, tape recordings, artwork, diaries and letters-- for possible inclusion in the film. BEFORE STONEWALL needs to hear from individuals who saved photographs of their friends and lovers, or who can talk about the one lesbian or gay bar that existed in their hometown before the birth of "gay liberation". If you have or know of visual or audio materials that would be of interest to the film makers, please write and tell us what you have, but **DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL MATERIAL**. All responses are strictly confidential.

BEFORE STONEWALL,  
630 Ninth Avenue, Suite 908,  
New York, N.Y., 10036.

IMMUNITY DISEASE GETTING WORSE

ATLANTA(UPI) - Federal health officials reported a growing incidence and a higher death rate yesterday from a mysterious immune deficiency disease that causes a near-total collapse of the body's ability to ward off illnesses.

With the report came an announcement in Washington that more funds were being funneled into the battle against the ailment.

The Public Health Service also warned that groups at high risk of getting the disorder should refrain from donating blood or blood plasma and that sexual contact should be avoided with people with the disease.

Most cases of the disease, known as AIDS, are occurring among homosexual males.

Cases of AIDS are now being reported to the national Centres for Disease Control at the rate of three or four a day.

Fatality rates have now risen to 60%. (83/03)

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G.G.E. FINANCIAL STATEMENT - JANUARY TO MARCH 1983

INCOME

Balance forward	\$1703.89	
Social Events	1904.45	
Memberships/Donations	60.00	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>3668.34</b>	<b>\$3668.34</b>

EXPENSES

Newsletter/advertising	\$ 225.13	
Gayline	173.61	
Meetings	45.00	
Social Events	1750.00	
Miscellaneous	909.56	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>3103.30</b>	<b>3103.30</b>
<b>CASH ON HAND</b>		<b>\$ 565.04</b>

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the gayline 836-4550



Tue. Apr. 5: ELECTION

This meeting will be devoted to our yearly Election and our April General Meeting. All members-in-good-standing are requested to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Tue. Apr. 12: GAMES NIGHT

Drop in for a fun game of 'Trivial Pursuits'. The biggest thing in games since 'Monopoly'.

Sat. Apr. 16: DANCE

Coalition for Gay Rights in Ontario (CGRO) will hold a Dance at 519 Church Street in Toronto. Please check Gayline for more information.

Mon. Apr. 18: VOLUNTEER MEETING

A meeting for anyone interested in working on the Gayline as a counsellor. Meeting will be held in Room 334, University Centre, U of G at 7:30 PM.

Tue. Apr. 19: POT LUCK SUPPER

A general drop-in meeting with Potluck Supper. Bring your favourite dish. Please also bring plates and silverware if you can! PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING STARTS AT 7:30 PM, ROOM 536.

Tue. Apr. 26: WOMENS' NIGHT

Guest speaker Lynn McInnis will discuss the situation of a young woman fired from her job for refusing to work on pornography published by her employer.

Fri. Apr. 29: DANCE AT SCHOOLHOUSE

611 Silvercreek Parkway, Guelph, starting at 9PM. Don't forget your membership card for admission discount.

Tue. May 3: VIDEO MOVIE NIGHT

For all you "trekies" out there we'll present the latest Star Trek film "The Wrath of Khan" starring William Shatner and Leonard Nimoy.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

ALL MEETINGS LISTED ABOVE ARE HELD IN ROOM 536,  
UNIVERSITY CENTRE, UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH AT 8PM  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.