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# Guelph Gay Quality

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## CHRISTMAS BANQUET AND DANCE

With just a little over a month and a half until Christmas, we are planning a Banquet and Dance to be held at the Schoolhouse on Saturday,

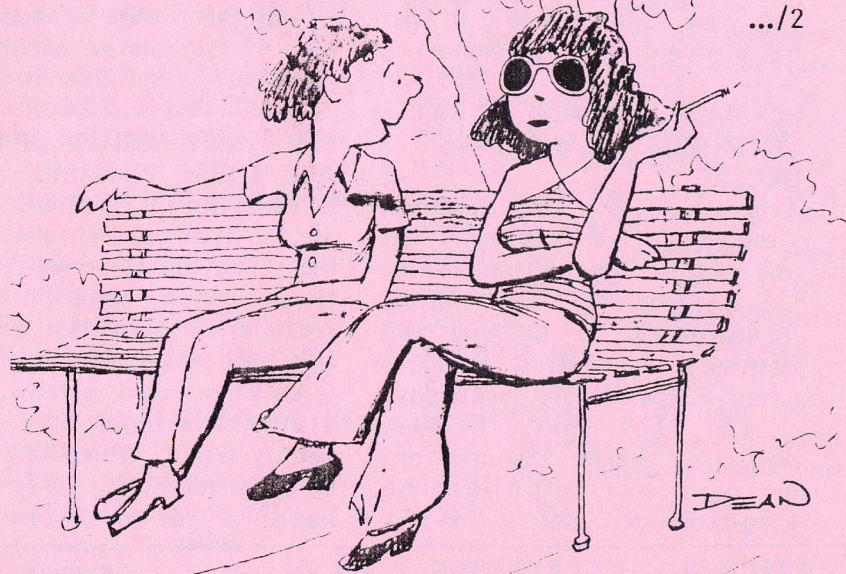
Dec. 17 beginning at 6 PM. This will be our first annual.

We will be offering a sit-down dinner (see menu inside) prepared for us by Mary-Ann.

Tickets for this event will be \$15.00 per person and includes admission to the Dance which follows at 9 PM. Since we have limited seating, it is suggested that you obtain your tickets early. By the time you read this they should be available from any member of the Executive.

If you wish to have wine at your table, we have included a list with your ticket. We ask that you fill in your choice and it will be delivered to your table the evening of the Banquet (note that wine is not included in the ticket price). We will also operate a cash bar from 6 PM until the end of the Dance at 1 AM.

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"Who would ever have thought that the treasure at the end of your rainbow would turn out to be me?"

The following is the menu that will be available at the banquet:

Brioche with Sweet Butter  
Jambon en Crouete  
Supremes of Chicken with  
Mushrooms & Cream (H)  
Whipped Carrots with  
Ginger  
Succotash (H)  
Rice (H)  
Oeufs en gelee  
Tomatoes with Piperade  
Cottage Cheese mold  
Fruit Salad with Cointreau  
and almonds  
Cauliflower Salad  
Green Salad with Yoghurt  
Dressing  
  
Cherry Cheese Cake  
Mince Tarts  
Cream Horns  
Coffee and Tea

This menu sure beats Kraft Dinner! So remember, get your tickets soon, it will be an evening to remember!

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**NO HOMOSEXUALS AS BIG BROTHERS - CANADIANS DECIDE**

Truro, N.S./CP - Big Brothers Association of Canada will not follow the action of its U.S. associate and allow homosexuals to become Big Brothers, executive director Frank Fogwell said yesterday.

The 170 Big Brothers agencies across Canada are being notified that the long-standing policy is not

about to change, Fogwell said in a telephone interview from Burlington.

"We are looking for a good influence on our Little Brothers and we do not believe allowing homosexuals to become Big Brothers is the way to achieve it," he said.

He said the Canadian organization is autonomous and does not have to follow the decision in the U.S to allow homosexuals to become Big Brothers with the consent of the mother of the boys.

Two officials of a county branch in Nova Scotia had threatened to resign if the national association changed its policy.

Under the Big Brothers program, boys between the ages of six and sixteen who don't have a father at home are matched with men who can provide companionship on a regular basis. There are also 62 Big Sister agencies in Canada.

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**STILL NOT GUILTY AFTER ALL THESE YEARS!!!**

October 15, 1983, 12:01 am. After almost six years, two provincial court trials, three other separate court actions, six appeals, two trips to the Supreme Court of Canada and more than \$100,000 in legal bills, it was finally over. What had begun on December 30, 1977, with a bang - a three-and-a-half

hour police raid on the office of The Body Politic - ended with a whimper as the deadline passed for the Attorney General's office to appeal the final decision upholding the acquittal of Pink Triangle Press.

The "Men Loving Boys Loving Men" case had come to an end at last. And The Body Politic had won. For Good!!!

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**POEM**

strange  
meeting someone who  
echoes you  
hugging in tight embrace  
whispering thank-you's

taking hot chocolate  
smiling, joking  
being led down the hall off  
go the lights. Fingers  
caressing

another's body: we hold each  
other  
as undressing we begin  
making love shuddering  
pulling up the sheets

for warmth: Just holding each  
other  
necking: clenched bodies  
tightly  
needing human contact  
drifting off to the dawning:

of the sun blue-hued and  
golden  
upon our naked bodies' hairs  
catching the falling rays  
we lie each in arms  
of beauty

Anon.

**COOL HAND PAUL**

In a recent interview with Paul Newman, old blue eyes had this to say about gay rights: "I'm a supporter of gay rights. And not a closet supporter either. From the time I was a kid, I have never been able to understand attacks upon the gay community. There are so many qualities that make up a human being - things that I really admire." After enumerating a long list of admirable attributes, he concludes, "...by the time I get through with all the things that I really admire about people, what they do with their private parts is probably so low on the list that it is irrelevant.

(Ed. - Perhaps Paul should meet Frank Fogwell of Big Brothers!!)

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**SEXUAL AUTOGRAPHS**

According to a Hawaiian handwriting expert, everyone "unknowingly reveals information about their sexuality through handwriting." For example, folks whose writing leans to the right, or forward, are generally very sexy, feeling, and affectionate. The up-and-downers are less sexy, more intellectual and self-controlled. Back-leaners, to the left, may appear reserved and cool, but ultimately are the type to be most faithful.

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the gayline 836-4550

## COMING EVENTS

- Tue. Nov. 1: VIDEO MOVIE NIGHT  
"Deathtrap" starring Michael Caine and Christopher Reeves. Talk about your who-dunnits!
- Tue. Nov. 8: COFFEEHOUSE  
An informal evening of conversation and a chance to meet new and old friends alike. Refreshments available.
- Tue. Nov. 15: WOMENS NIGHT  
An evening of special interest to women. Check Gayline (836-4550) for more information. Gentlemen, as usual, are welcome.
- Tue. Nov. 22: SPECIAL VIDEO  
Jerry Falwell vs. the Gay Task Force. A taped Phil Donahue television show. A 'must see' program.
- Fri. Nov. 25: DANCE  
Our monthly Dance at the Schoolhouse, 611 Silvercreek Pkwy., Guelph beginning at 8 PM. Don't forget your membership cards for member discount!
- Tue. Nov. 29: GAMES NIGHT  
Join us in a team battle of 'Trivial Pursuit, one of todays most popular board games.
- Tue. Dec. 6: VIDEO MOVIE NIGHT  
"Without A Trace"
- Thur Dec. 8: GENERAL MEETING  
A general meeting of GGE to discuss upcoming events and to set policy for the organization. All members are requested to attend. Anyone not a member, but interested in GGE is welcome.
- Sat. Dec. 19: CHRISTMAS BANQUET AND DANCE  
See front cover for more information.

ALL EVENTS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED ARE HELD  
IN ROOM 536, U.C. BLDG., U. of G. AT 8 PM.