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Guelph Gay Quality

MAY 1984

YOU ASKED FOR IT!

On Saturday May 12, join us for an evening of music, dance and conversation in the friendly atmosphere of the Guelph Navy Club.

We have made arrangements with the Naval Association to book their club on Saturday evening on a regular basis. This event will probably take place the second Saturday evening of every month, provided the evening is supported by the Gay community.

The main advantage of the Navy Club is that it is divided into two large areas. One area will be set up for dancing and the other for conversation, billiards, or other video games available. They also have a cash bar with prices the same as at the Schoolhouse.

For those concerned, the Club will be staffing the bar, and our group will operate everything else. Their staff is fully aware of our group and we have exclusive use of the club during the evening.

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"I once dated a dude who was so good-looking that I thought he was a manufacturer's rep for God."

To cover our costs of rental, music and staff, the admission charge to this event will be \$3.00 per person. Since the bar is operated by the Club, we can offer no discount to members, since we will not be realizing an income from the bar.

Help make this an ongoing event by coming out on May 12 to the Guelph Navy Club, 18 Commercial Street, Guelph at 9 PM.

Remember, this new event for the Gay Community will continue only if YOU support it, so circle your calendar now!

CANCER VIRUS LINKED TO A.I.D.S.

Washington (UPI) - Strong new evidence points to a variation of a human cancer virus as the cause of AIDS, which has claimed nearly 1,800 lives.

The newly discovered virus is named HTLV-III, for human T-cell lymphotropic virus, which has been under suspicion as a cause of acquired immune deficiency syndrome since 1981.

AIDS destroys the body's immune system, leaving victims open to a variety of fatal infections and cancers. As of April 16, 4,087 cases and 1,758 deaths had been recorded in the U.S.

In Canada, 67 AIDS cases have been reported; at least

30 patients have died.

In North America, AIDS strikes primarily homosexuals or bisexual males, drug users, Haitian immigrants and hemophiliacs.

Two other types of HTLV virus had been described previously. The first HTLV-I, was related to AIDS last year by Dr. Robert Gallo of the National Cancer Institute.

Dr. James Mason, head of the U.S. Centres for Disease Control, said Sunday he believed a virus discovered in France, known as LAV, or lymphadenopathy virus, was probably the culprit.

It is uncertain, however, whether Gallo's virus and the French virus are the same.

Scientists said knowledge of the viruses could help in the development of a diagnostic test and vaccine.

G.O.O.D. (GAYS OUT OF DOORS)

Become a GOOD Guy. We are now organizing an outdoor activities and social club (camping, skiing, canoeing, cycling, picnics and bar-b-ques, potluck supper and special parties) for the gays of Kitchener/Waterloo, Cambridge and Guelph areas. Join now as a charter member and help plan and organize your club. For detailed information write PO Box 2751, Kitchener, N2H 6N3. Let's make this work!

KOCH ANTI-BIAS ORDER CUTS SALLY ANNE FUNDS

NEW YORK -The Salvation Army, because it refuses to alter a hiring policy that discriminates against lesbians and gay men, will lose \$4 million in city contracts this year. Mayor Ed Koch has issued Executive Order 50, which demands that all groups holding city contracts must agree in writing not to discriminate on the basis of "sexual orientation or affectional preference."

"There is no way we could sign the order because it cuts to the core of our conviction," said Lt Col Wallace C. Conrath, divisional commander of the Salvation Army of Greater New York. "We feel that the scripture indicates that homosexuality is foreign to the will of God for mankind."

The Army asked that religious organizations be exempted from the order but the mayor's liaison to the gay and lesbian community, Lee Hudson, stated that "the mayor was not interested in sanctioning discrimination in any group, so he denied any exemption."

"I think it is a tremendous first step," said Arty Strickler, spokesperson for the gay synagogue Beth Simchat Torah. "It certainly points up the hypocrisy of an organization that purports to help people and believes in so-called morals and ethics but turns around and discriminates."

DIGNITY CANADA A NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Friday, May 18 to Monday, May 21
Victoria College - University of Toronto

Conference Hotlines:
(416) 654-2994 654-6517
537-1773 960-3997

'A DECADE OF DIGNITY'

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Did you know that, with one exception, all staff at our Schoolhouse Dances are volunteers?

That's right, for the sheer enjoyment of it, a free drink and free admission.

Would you like to work at some of our dances? If so, make it known to any of your executive and they will see that you are put to work.

We are looking for volunteers and if you feel inclined, your help would be greatly appreciated. How about it?

ORR'S APPEAL.....VICTORY

Toronto - Former Glad Day Books employee Kevin Orr won the appeal of his obscenity conviction March 30 when the Ontario Court of Appeal overturned a guilty verdict and ordered a new trial.

A date for the second trial has not yet been set.

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EQUALITY - JOIN NOW!

the gayline 836-4550

WHAT'S GOIN' ON?

Tue. May 01: VIDEO MOVIE NIGHT

"Ordinary People" starring Mary Tyler Moore, Timothy Hutton and Donald Sutherland.

Tue. May 08: GUEST SPEAKER

A guest speaker from the Gay Counselling Centre of Toronto Will speak on being gay, coming out to yourself, friends and family.

Fri. May 11: DANCE

HUGS will be holding their monthly dance at 652 1/2 Barton St. East in Hamilton. Admission \$3.00, half price for members of Gay associations.

Sat. May 12: PARTY/DANCE

Hopefully a monthly event. Held at the Navy Club, 18 Commercial St., Guelph at 9 PM. Admission \$3.00 per person. See story on front cover for details.

Tue. May 15: COFFEEHOUSE

An informal evening of conversation and a chance to meet old and new friends alike. Refreshments available.

Tue. May 22: COFFEEHOUSE

Fri. May 25: DANCE

Our monthly Dance at the Schoolhouse, 611 Silvercreek Pkwy., Guelph at 8 PM. All GGE Members admitted free, CGRO affiliated group members, 1/2 price, non-members \$3.00. Remember... membership cards **MUST** be shown.

Tue. May 29: COFFEEHOUSE

Tue. Jun 05: VIDEO MOVIE NIGHT

TBA - Check Gayline for confirmation.

Thu. Jun 07: GENERAL MEETING

A General meeting of GGE business. All members are requested to attend.

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