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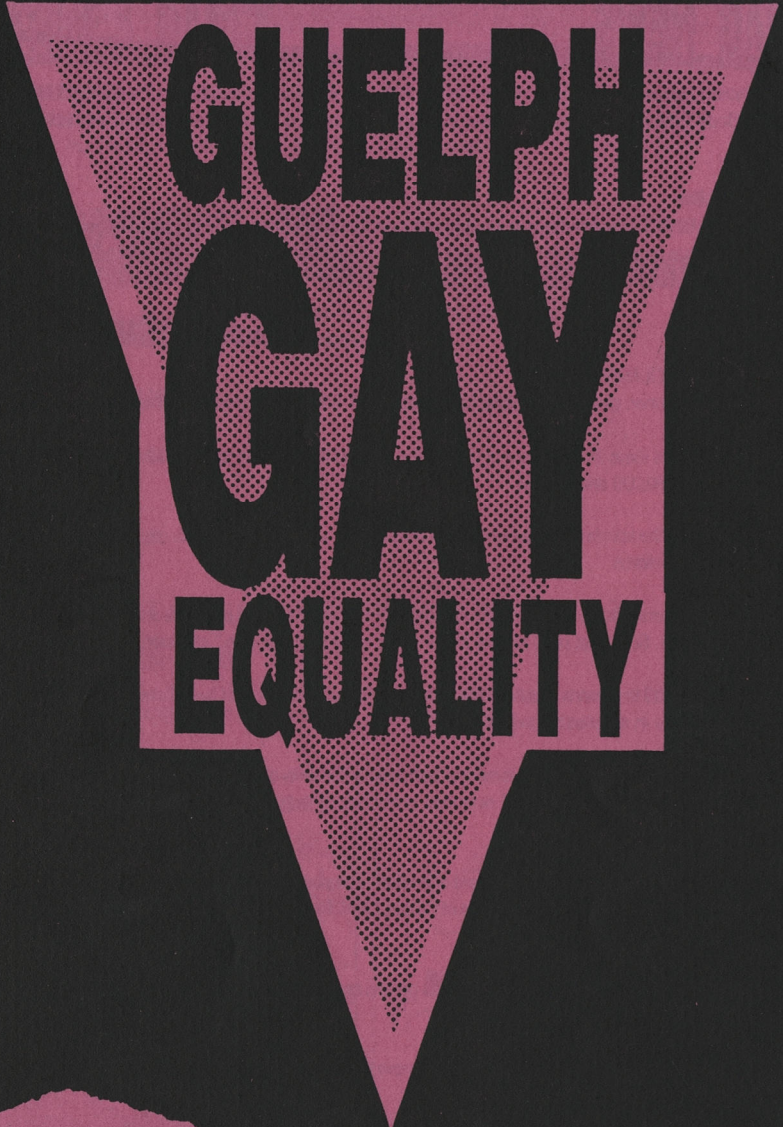
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**GUELPH
GAY
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NEWSLETTER FOR JANUARY 1988

MAILBAG NEWS

"EPICENE", the latest Lesbian and Gay News Magazine has folded after 4 issues. Launched in the spring of 1987 following the collapse of "The Body Politic", the magazine ceased publication because of financial and internal problems. (Rites, Jan/88, p.5)

CAMPUS HOMOPHOBIA

Gay People at Carleton (GPAC) University have had to deal with homophobic defacement of its public wall mural. GPAC has publicly acknowledged the action in an attempt to mobilize support from other campus groups for an anti-homophobia campaign. GPAC's new name is now GALA (Gay And Lesbian Alliance). (Rites, Jan/88, p.6)

GAY STUDENTS GET SCHOLARSHIP

Thanks to an anonymous donor, gays and lesbians coming to U of T will now be eligible for their own scholarship.

Regan McClure, a member of Gays and Lesbians at U of T, who initiated the program, said the \$9,400 donation is the first part of what she hopes will be a \$30,000 endowment.

McClure said candidates for the scholarship have to have finished high school and be lesbian or gay. She admitted the second condition would be difficult to enforce.

"I thought about asking the person to do volunteer work in the gay community, but if the person is on scholarship he or she probably won't have time to volunteer. So I'll just have to take the person's word on good faith," she said.

The award will be given in 1989 to as many people as the endowment can provide for. McClure hopes to raise enough money to provide at least \$3,000 per year in scholarship money.

She said the scholarship, called the Bill 7 Award, is named "in honour of the unity of gays and lesbians demonstrated as they fought for and achieved the enactment of Bill 7." Bill 7 extended protection to lesbians and gays under the Ontario Human Rights Code.

McClure said the scholarship will be awarded by a board of trustees, composed of representatives of six Toronto groups, including the Counselling Centre for Lesbians and Gays, Lesbians of Colour, ZAMI (Black and West Indian Lesbians and Gays) and the U of T Women's Centre.

She felt she should get representatives from straight women's groups as well as gay and lesbian organizations in hopes of "creating a network between these groups of people."

McClure said the scholarships will help gays and lesbians who have been disowned by their parents or had other financial problems because of their sexual orientation.

"A lot of my friends have been cut off by their parents, or had been dependent on lovers who had died," she said. "It seemed like a real shame to have someone bright drop out of school."

While she expects criticism from many people on campus, McClure said she is not worried about it.

"I am not terribly concerned with that," she said. "It's a self-help measure, it's not done with the reactions of the straight population in mind."

VALENTINE'S DANCE

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FRIDAY, FEB. 19/88

161 Lakeshore Rd., The Clarke Hall, Mississauga (Just East of Mississauga Rd.)

WHEN IN LONDON, ONT.?

HALO Club, Licensed Disco and Lounge, 649 Colborne St., Fri. till 1 AM, Sat. till 3 AM.

MONDAYS

Coffee House 7 - 10 p.m. at HALO

Gayline staffed 7 - 10 p.m.

THURSDAYS

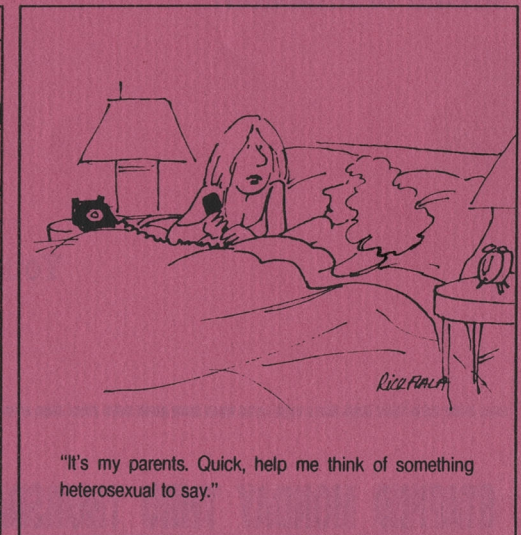
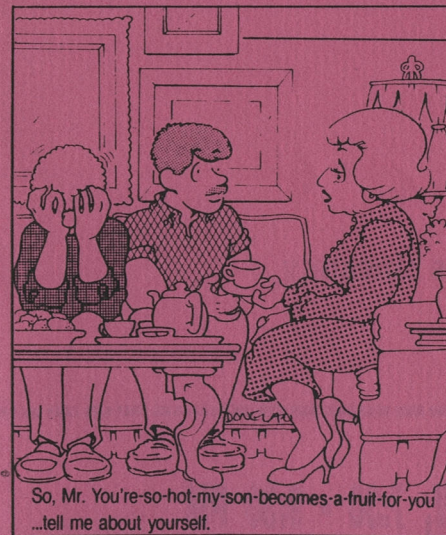
Gayline staffed 7 - 10 p.m.

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Your name _____

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Date _____

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney,
House of Commons,
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Mulroney:

On March 4, 1986, the Honourable John Crosbie announced that the government would, "take whatever measures necessary to ensure that sexual orientation is a prohibited ground of discrimination in all areas of federal jurisdiction."

Now is the time for the government to take action. When will the government make amendments to the *Canadian Human Rights Act* to end discrimination on the ground of sexual orientation?

Yours sincerely,

STAFFED MONDAY THRU THURSDAY, 7:30 - 9:30 PM

THE GAY LINE ☐ 836-4550 ☐