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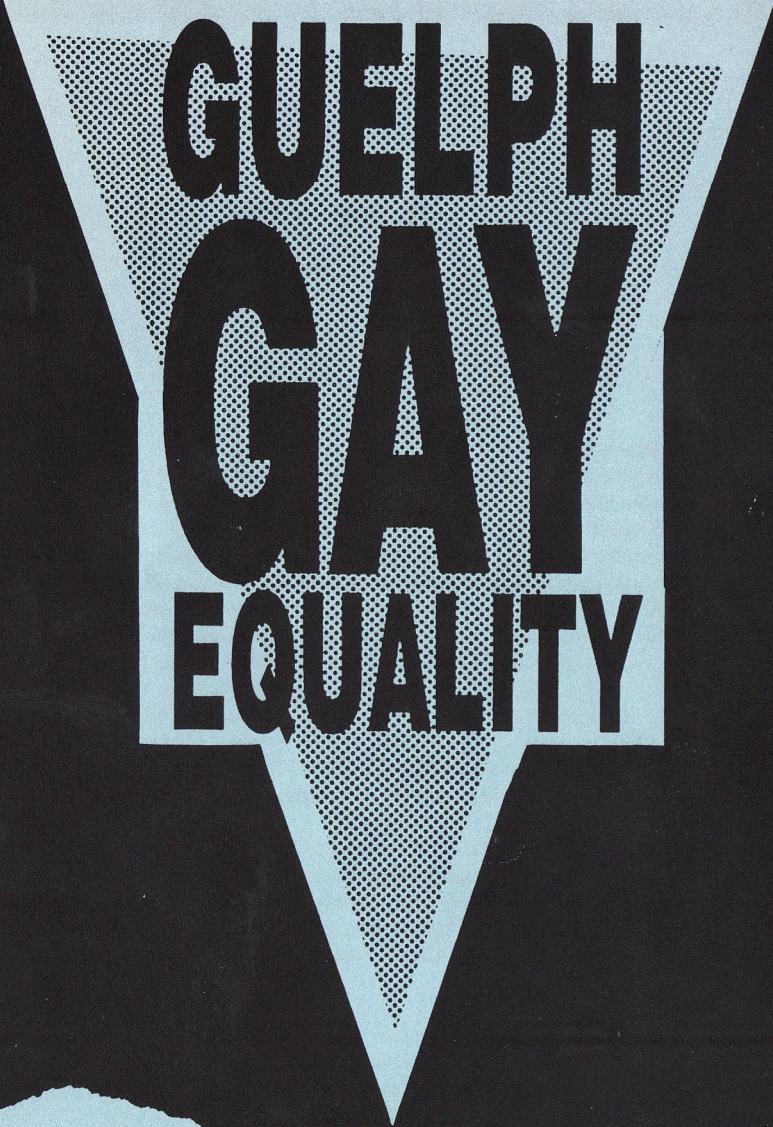
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**GUELPH
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EQUALITY**

NEWSLETTER FOR JUNE 1988

Church group will bar gays

Saliva prevents infection by AIDS virus, study shows

Saliva blocks the AIDS virus from infecting its most common prey, white blood cells, U.S. researchers have discovered. "This would explain why there are no confirmed cases of the virus... love and support of family and friends as well as institutional being passed orally," said Philip Fox, who led a study at the National Center for Mental Research. "Saliva seems to have some sort of natural... id."

Schools take cautious approach to teaching students about AIDS

Don't shun AIDS victims Ontario Catholics urged

by Michael McAteer
far religion editor

AIDS

nificant failure rate. The church's rejection of "safe sex" is not primarily due to the limited effectiveness of condoms, it says. Moral teaching rejects the "safe-

Is there a Canadian anti-gay bill?

Bill C-61, currently tabled in the House of Commons and touted as an anti-drug, anti-crime bill has the potential for being used against many gay establishments such as bookstores, baths, bars, etc. C-61 includes provisions which deal with the obscenity law (sec. 159) and the common bawdy house law (sec. 193) both of which have been used in the past against Glad Day bookshop, The Body Politic, the baths, prostitutes and gay bars. If Bill C-61 passes the police will be able to not only fine and imprison individuals but also can seize the assets of individuals and businesses they suspect of committing a crime. It is uncertain, if passed, that police will carry out the provisions of C-61, however it appears that police are eager to use whatever laws they can against the gay and lesbian community. Seizures of books continue, raids on escort services in Ottawa, raids on bars in Windsor and threats of charges against Toronto baths are ample evidence that police are ready to hassle gay and lesbian establishments.

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ACQWC

The AIDS Committee of Guelph & Wellington County now has an office at 73 Delhi St., Suite 107 (763-2255). They offer info on AIDS, AIDS prevention, counselling for people with AIDS, ARC, HIV +ve people, family and friends of persons with AIDS.

GALA - Carleton Univ. Fights Homophobia

On at least 6 occasions this year the Carleton Gay & Lesbian Alliance mural has been defaced with messages encouraging anti-gay/lesbian behaviour. There appears to be an increase in anti-gay/lesbian sentiments on the Carleton campus according to GALA members. The issue has been well publicized in the Ottawa/Hull area and on national TV. Greater education and positive solutions to the problem are being considered by GALA and the Carleton Student Association.

GO Info 0588

Denmark

A bill which gives legal status to homosexual marriages has been tabled in Danish Parliament. The bill may pass with an amendment that maintains the second class status of these marriages. Married same-sex couples won't be able to adopt children however. Increased rights will be obtained in the areas of taxes, social services & alimony. Some of those who support the Bill say it may help control the spread of AIDS. Denmark is the first country in the world to table such a bill.

Rites 0588

DEADLINE

SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER MUST BE RECEIVED BY June 25, 1988.


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GAY AND LESBIAN PRESS ASSOCIATION

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5 HUGS Tea Dance 96 McNab St. Hamilton, Ont.	6	7 GGE Movie Night 8 PM UC 536	8 " as above	9 " as above	10 PFLAG Meeting Brampton 416-457-4570	11 Canada's Wonderland with GLOW (call gayline for dept. time)
12	13 10th Annual Guelph Conference on Sexuality "In Search of Healthy Sexuality"	14 GGE Social Night 8 PM UC 536	15 " as above	16 " as above	17 GEM-GCO Dance 161 Lakeshore Mississauga	18
19	20	21 GGE Potluck Picnic/BBQ Meet 7 PM UC 536	22 " as above	23 " as above	24 GGE Dance UEW Hall, 611 Silvercreek	25
26 Gay Pride Day Cawthra Park 519 Church St. Toronto	27	28 GGE Social Night 8 PM UC 536	29 " as above	30 " as above		

LETTERS


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James Egan & John Nesbit,
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 May 1, 1988

In 1986, following the 1977 recommendations of the commission and considerable work by Jimbohn and my group across the province, the Ontario Human Rights Code was amended to include "sexual orientation" - this means that it is now illegal to discriminate against anyone - whether they are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender - on the ground of their sexual orientation.

The Human Rights Commission currently believes that this "sexual orientation" provision will offer protection to those who experience discrimination because they are transsexual or transvestite, but this will be determined as cases are presented and precedents are established.

In addition, any person who has or is thought to have AIDS or ARC, or who has tested HIV positive, is also protected under the Code since these conditions fall under the definition of illness contained in the physical handicap provision.

Anyone who believes he or she has experienced such discrimination may file a complaint with the Ontario Human Rights Commission. As a condition of filing a complaint, the complainant must be a person who is a citizen, permanent resident or a person who is a member of an occupational association or self-governing profession.

Areas of discrimination covered by the Code include:

- public services
- housing
- employment
- any type of verbal or written contract
- trade unions, trade or occupational associations and self-governing professions

We believe that your organization can be an effective agent for helping protect the rights of members of your committee. You can help by:

- distributing the enclosed information;
- contacting your local Human Rights Commission office; or
- contacting us for a speaker or for more information.

We appreciate your interest in this issue and hope you will find this information useful. We are available to discuss the Code, to answer questions, and to provide information on the possibility of filing a complaint. Local offices of the OHRC, where you will be assisted by trained, sympathetic professionals, are listed on the back of the brochure. We look forward to hearing from you.

May 12, 1988

Court Challenges Program,
 Box 2005, Stn. C,
 Ottawa, Ontario,
 K1P 2J1

To Whom it May Concern:
 - Letter of support refers to the application being
 - filed by James Egan and John Nesbit, on behalf
 - of the Guelph Gay Equality
 - Society and underwritten by the intent
 - of the Guelph Gay Equality
 - Society.



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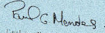
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James Egan and
 John Nesbit
 Guelph Gay Equality
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Dear Friends and:

Thank you for your letter dated April 15, 1988, supporting the GGE's application to the Court Challenges Program. We appreciate your interest in this issue and hope you will find this information useful. We are available to discuss the Code, to answer questions, and to provide information on the possibility of filing a complaint. Local offices of the OHRC, where you will be assisted by trained, sympathetic professionals, are listed on the back of the brochure. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours truly,


 P.O.G. Members

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MISCELLANEOUS AFFAIRS/EVENTS

Gay Pride Day: June 26, 1988. Cawthra Park, 519 Church St., Toronto. The GGE will be sharing a booth with GEM-GCO on Sunday, June 26. We need VOLUNTEERS to help staff the table. Please sign up with Reggie B. or Jim C. for more info.

The AIDS Memorial
 During Pride Day, June 26, The AIDS Memorial will mark off a hilly treed section of Cawthra Park for a quiet, dignified monument to those who have died of AIDS. Within the memorial space the names and dates of those who have died will be inscribed. Friends, lovers or family members who wish to register the names of someone who has died, for this memorial can do so by picking up registry forms at the 519 Community Centre, the AIDS Committee of Toronto (464 Yonge) or at the 2nd Cup on Church St. near Wellesley. Contributions in support of this project are invited from businesses and individuals. To find out more, contact G. Dumouchel (416) 923-4918.

The GGE Office
A. SOME THINGS TO READ!
 We have monthly issues of Xtra, Rites, GO Info, HALO newsletter, HUGS newsletter, RFD and many other pamphlets, newsletters and magazines.
B. THE BOOK LIBRARY
 The GGE Library has recently been overhauled. All books now have sign-out cards and are shelved by topic. A new sign-out system has been instituted in an attempt to prevent the loss of books from our library. Please check out the new system before borrowing our books. They are there for everyone to use.

Summer Fun!
 If you like a weekend away at a gay-positive campground, guesthouse or resort, why not check out our recently acquired resort brochure supply in the GGE office. Currently we've got brochures from four Ontario locations.

- 1) On Location Resort - Crystal Beach, Ontario
- 2) Manfred's Meadow - Grand Valley, Ontario
- 3) The Cedars Campground - Waterdown, Ontario
- 4) The Schoolhouse - Belwood, Ontario

ALSO! Members of the GGE possibly in association with members from GGLOW and/or GEM or other groups may partake in other summer activities such as barbecues, camping, white-water rafting, trips to the zoo, bowling, etc. All suggestions are greatly appreciated. If you have a summer fun idea don't hesitate to contact a member of the executive.

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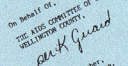
Available at the Bookshelf Cafe, Quebec St.,
Guelph and the GGE office.

May 20
 George Smith
 Vice-President
 Ontario Human Rights Commission (OHRC)

THE AIDS COMMITTEE OF GUELPH AND WELLINGTON COUNTY
 71 SPAIN STREET - SUITE 102
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April 19, 1988

Guelph Gay Equality
 Society
 c/o Jim Douglas

Dear Friends:
 Your contribution to the sharing of the task to which we have set ourselves has been a great help.
 Being in the early tentative stages, as we are, such kindness and help can make the difference between success or failure.
 We are very grateful to you.
 On behalf of:
 THE AIDS COMMITTEE OF GUELPH AND WELLINGTON COUNTY

 Board of Directors

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ILGA 10th Annual International Conference

Will be held in Oslo, Norway, June 26 until July 2, 1988. Check out their latest conference outline and agenda in the office.

Cast/Crew Needed

For an independently-produced lesbian feature being taped in Kingston and Toronto in late July-early August. THE STORY: 2 women from sharply contrasting backgrounds meet and become attracted to each other while one practises a deception that eventually leads to a head-on collision between them. AUDITIONS/INTERVIEWS will be held: Ottawa - June 6 at GO Centre, 318 Lisgar St. 6-10 PM; Kingston - June 8 at KAA, 21-A Queen St. 7-10 PM; Toronto - June 27, 28 at 519 Church St. Community Centre 9 AM-5 PM

GAYCARE

Is a support group for gay and bisexual men which meets every other week. This is a small discussion group which meets in members homes to discuss lifestyles, sexuality, problems, etc. For more info. call the Gayline, 836-4550.

ACCOMODATION AVAILABLE

Roommate needed ASAP: 2 min. walk to U. of G. campus. \$240/month. Call Gayline for accomodation listing: 836-4550.

IT'S BARBIE TIME!

(and hey, that's BAR-B-Q, folks, nothing else...)

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

☐ THE GAY LINE ☐ 836-4550 ☐
