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GAY, LESBIAN
& BISEXUAL
EQUALITY

ROOM 537, UNIVERSITY CENTRE
824-4120 EXT. 8575

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Holocaust Memorial Week ~ Jan 31 to Feb 4

Many gays and lesbians wear the pink triangle as a symbol of pride and distinction. But the triangle was not always as honourable a symbol as it is today.

The pink triangle was originally used as an identifying label for homosexual men in Nazi prisoner of war camps during the Third Reich. In 1934, Hitler outlawed homosexuality completely, forcing some out of the Nazi Party and into the POW camps and jails. At this same time, Jews, Jehovah's Witnesses, emigrants, criminals and political opponents were all facing the same brutal oppression. Even women lost their rights to various professional jobs. The most Aryan of these women were used as breeders of Aryan children with the SS men.

In 1936, in order to "purify" the Master German Race, Heinrich Himmler and his SS Troops arrested anyone who was suspected of being homosexual. Even a name in a gay man's address book would be cause enough for suspicion. These gays were interned in concentration camps to await extermination.

By 1944, approximately 66,000 homosexuals were

Valentines Dance

One of the very first events sponsored by the first gay rights group in Guelph was a Valentine's Day Dance. The University of Guelph Homophile Association held the dance in Peter Clark Hall, and almost 350 people came that night to dance! Now, twenty years later, a special 20th anniversary Valentine's dance will be held on the weekend of February 11-12, in Guelph. Volunteers will be needed to help us decorate, to help staff the door, and a few other odd jobs.

The dance is from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., Sat., February 12. Admission \$2. for GGLBE members, \$5. for non-members.

Call the gayline (836-4550) or the GGLBE office (824-4120, ext. 8575) for the location. The location will also be announced at our January dance (at Club DV8) as well as at our Tuesday night meetings and at the Women's discussion group on Mondays. Come out and support twenty years of fun and pride!

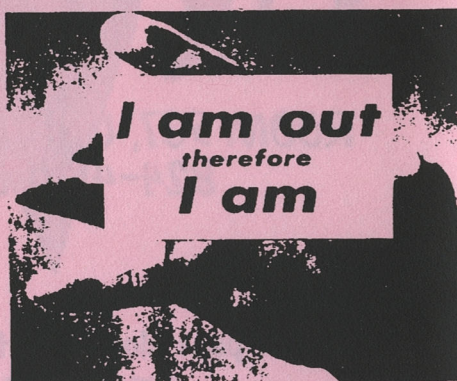
in camp records. Estimates put the death toll for gays at 12,000, and countless others died of starvation, disease and exhaustion.

Lesbianism was not illegal, yet surprisingly, six lesbians were incarcerated under the black triangle for their sexual orientation.

The Jewish Students Organization is organizing a Holocaust Memorial week, January 31 to February 4, 1994, fifty years after the beginning of the liberation of Nazi concentration camps. The memorial honours every person who died in the holocaust, specifically the approximately 6.5 million Jews who were systematically exterminated because of their race and religion. Remember that our community was also a blameless victim to the blind hatred of the Nazi regime, so wear your pink and black triangles throughout the week to show your pride and remembrance of who you are.

For Men Only

Men: have you ever been physically, sexually, or emotionally abused as a child? A new group is starting up for any gay or bisexual men who were abused as children, and who would like to talk to peers about these painful issues. For more info. please contact Mary at the GLOBE office, ext. 8575, or UC room 537.



QUEER NATION

YAQZAN Resigns. . .

In November 1993, Matin Yaqzan, an assistant professor at the University of New Brunswick, wrote an opinion paper titled "Rape Past and Present". In the article, Yaqzan stated that date rape is necessary because "regular sexual intercourse must become a necessity" for all males. He also stated that "no amount of education or legal pronouncements would change the male nature", which implies that men are bestial and out of control. He concluded his piece that women (oh, I'm sorry, that was "girls") should demand monetary compensation when they are "inconvenienced" by a sexual encounter.

It is obvious that this man is an idiot. He implies that men are no better than animals, and that women are prostitutes. Clearly, he states that rape is not only okay, but necessary and wanted in our society.

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE!

20th anniversary

VALENTINE'S DANCE



at the
**POLISH HALL
GUELPH**

5 Empire Street.

FRI. FEB. 11TH

8am ~ 1 pm

\$2 members, \$5 non-members

Come out and support 20 years in Guelph

ANY unwanted sexual attention in any form (i.e., verbal, physical) is harassment, and it's against the law. Harassment and rape in homosexual, bisexual or heterosexual relationships is intolerable and unacceptable. If you are a woman who has been sexually assaulted or raped by a man or a woman, Women in Crisis can help (Phone: 836-5710 or 1-800-265-7233, 24 hours). Any man who has been sexually abused, harassed or raped by a man or a woman can call The Gayline at 836-4550 for information. Other useful numbers include CONTACT, 767-5002 (6 p.m. to 2 a.m.); the Sexual harassment advisors at the University of Guelph: Gerry (male), Madie or Valerie (females) at 824-4120, ext. 6100 (Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.). All groups are not ignorant of same-sex issues.



Volunteers ~ We Want You!

ANTI-RACISM WEEK March 21 - 25

Help assist with the planning of
Anti-Racism Week.

The first meeting for volunteers is on
Thursday January 27th, 1994 in UC
Room 333 from 5:00 to 6:00 pm.

All are Welcome!

For more information please contact the Human
Rights Co-ordinator, Tracey-Ann Gooden at
extension 2629, or B.J. Sharp, CSA Activities
Commissioner at extension 6743.

Heather Bishop

Since the late 1970's singer-songwriter Heather Bishop has been an outspoken voice in women's and folk music. And what a voice! In concert, Heather takes a good measure of insight, humour and poignancy, blends them together, and offers up a feast for the ears. The Halifax Courier Journal has written about Heather: "the songs she writes ... are provocative poetic statements that cut deeply while retaining genuine tenderness." Of her nine recordings, the most recent is "Old New, Borrowed, Blue", which includes thirteen songs from her previous records and five newly-released songs. Be prepared for her usual dose of empowering songwriting and hilarity!

Heather will be playing Saturday, February 12, at 2 pm (children's show), and 8 pm (adult's show), at Kitchener City Hall (The Rotunda). Tickets are \$15. in advance and \$17. at the door. Tickets are available at the Provident Bookstore and The Waterloo Showtime Box Office.

Cate Friesen

Cate is originally from Manitoba and now resides in Toronto. She has been dazzling her audiences with her recent impressive performances at the Hillside and Maryhill Music Festivals last summer. Most recently, she has opened for Ferron in Hamilton and for Connie Kaldor in Waterloo. Cate's appearance at Phil's Grandson's Place in Waterloo will be her first chance to put on a full concert for her growing number of fans. With her first recording, "Tightrope Waltz", she is making a favourable impression with the critics. You are sure to enjoy this highly entertaining singer/songwriter.

Cate will be performing at Phil's on Sunday, March 6, 7:30 pm. Call the Provident Bookstore or the Waterloo Showtime Box Office for ticket prices. She will also be performing at the Commercial Tavern in downtown Maryhill. Please phone for date and time. Tickets are available at Looney Tunes in Guelph.

Ani's Back!

Ani (pronounced Ah-nee) DiFranco is a singer-songwriter originally from Buffalo, NY. Ani started playing guitar at age 9, and has just released her fifth recording, "like i said", on her own Righteous Records

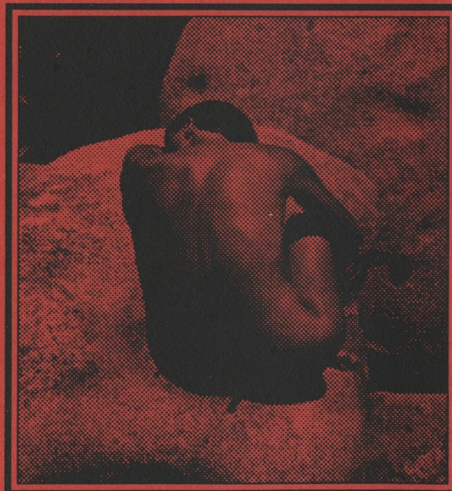
label. Her in-your-face, feminist-bisexual music is unique and empowering. Her concert in September 1993 was a quick sellout, and she's returning for ONE south-western Ontario concert.

Ani will be playing at Phil's Grandson's Place in Waterloo on Wednesday, February 9. The concert starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$12. in advance, and \$14. at the door (remember-she sold out last time!). Tickets are on sale in Waterloo at Provident Bookstore, 140 University Ave. West, Phil's, and at the Showtime Box Office. In Guelph tickets are available at Looney Tunes. Phone orders are accepted Monday-Saturday, 10am to 8pm: (519) 886-2375.

Announcing:

Starting January 1994 the Sexual Assault Centre of Guelph will be running a 12 week group for survivors of childhood sexual abuse.

This will be a group run by lesbians, for lesbians. If you are interested contact Chris or Nancy at 823-5806.



HIGHER
Quota
PRESS

*Quota Magazine, a magazine for lesbians,
is available in the GLBE office.*

Back by Popular Demand!! Exclusive Area Concerts

ANI DIFRANCO

WED. FEB. 9TH (8 PM) • PHILS GRANDSON'S PLACE
220 King Street N. Waterloo
tickets: \$12 (adv) \$14 (door)

Also back by Popular Demand!!

HEATHER BISHOP

SAT. FEB. 12TH (8 PM) • KITCHENER CITY HALL (THE ROTUNDA)
Corner of College & King St., Kitchener
tickets: \$15 (adv) \$17 (door)

tickets for both shows available in Waterloo at: PROVIDENT BOOKSTORE (140 University Ave. W., 746-2872), THE WATERLOO SHOWTIME BOX OFFICE (886-2375). Tickets for Ani's show also available at PHIL'S (888-7663). Note: Phil's does not hold tickets over the phone.

FEELING OUR FIRE, HEALING OUR WORLD

Day-Long Workshop featuring VICKI NOBLE & JENNIFER BEREZAN

Vicki and Jennifer come to us from California. They work internationally with women, combining yoga's, hands'on healing, imagery, Goddess ritual and sacred singing and chanting. This workshop is an opportunity to create a healing community, open our hearts and pray together for the planet.

VICKI NOBLE is a feminist healer and author of *Motherpeace: A Way the Goddess* and *Shakti Woman: the New Female Shamanism*. JENNIFER BEREZAN is a singer/songwriter, originally from Alberta but now living in Oakland, California, with a background in spiritual studies.

SATURDAY, MAY 14 • RESURRECTION CENTRE
Westmount Road, Waterloo

Cost: \$80 (before Feb. 28); \$90 (after Feb. 28). Includes tuition, lunch & snacks

JENNIFER BEREZAN will also be giving a concert on Fri. May 13 (8 pm) in Kitchener-Waterloo (exact location t.b.a.). A special package of concert and workshop is being offered for \$85 (before Feb. 28) and \$95 (after Feb. 28). Concert only: \$13 (adv).

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION: CALL ROSALYN AT 519-885-6394 OR MARY JOY AT 519-570-1129

CALENDAR

calendar	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
	30	31	25	26	27	28
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globe meeting discussion night 8 pm, uc 536

globe meeting holocaust memorial (Jan 31 - Feb 4) movie and discussion 8 pm, uc 536

globe meeting sager sex discussion sponsored by the AIDS Committee of Guelph 8 pm, UC 536

globe meeting valentines social uc 536

globe meeting games night 8 pm, uc 536

globe dance div8 8 pm - 1 am

20th anniv. valentine's dance polish hall. 5 empire st. \$36-45.90 for info.

no dance - winter break

PHONE NUMBERS OF INTEREST

GLBE - Gayline (519) 824-4120 ext. 8575

GLBE - Office (519) 824-4120 ext. 8575

GLOW (519) 824-4120

GEM (416) 278-1111

Remember to call the GLBE Gayline for updates on calendar events!

(519) 748-5556

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please note that there will not be a dance at club div8 this month due to the scheduling of the winter break

BARS & CLUBS

The Pink Zone. 223 1/2 King street, Kitchener (519) 744-7465. Wednesday & Thursday, 8 pm to 2 am; Friday & Saturday 8 pm to 3 am.

The Robin's Nest. 26 Hobson Street, Cambridge. (519) 621-2688. Sat. only \$2 members; \$3 non-members

The Other Side Club. 22 Dickson St. Galt (Cambridge) (519) 622-9417. Open Fri. & Sat., 8 pm to 2 am; \$3 non-members, includes buffet.

Timothy Stevens. 24 Charles St. W. Kitchener. Open Wed. - Sat., 8 to close.

Club DV8. 33 MacDonnell St. Guelph. (519) 763-2247. Open Mon. - Sat. 8 to close. Pool torney Tues.

ORGANIZATIONS

AIDS Committee of Guelph and Wellington County (ACGWC); 265 Woolwich Street; Guelph, ON; N1E 6L9. (519) 763-2255. Weekdays 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. ACGWC now has a Newsline at (519) 763-8265.

Gay and Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo. (GLOW); c/o Federation of Students; Univ. of Waterloo; Waterloo, ON; N2L 3G1. Office: Campus Centre Room 209, (519) 884-4569, weekday evenings, messages other times. GLOW provides peer counselling, a book archive, a housing registry, coffeehouses, dances, and general information.

OWLS is a privately organized, non-profit social/cultural group for women over thirty. 884-4569 for more info.

Women Out of Doors (WOODS), PO Box 29009, Eatons Centre PO, 55 Wyndham St. Guelph, ON N1H 8J4. (519) 746- Social recreational group with various activities, bimonthly newsletter. Membership - \$15/year.

RADIO SHOWS

Feminist Framework Wed. 10:30 to 11 am, CKWR-FM 98.7

Feminist Frequency Sun. 7 to 8 pm, CFRU-FM 93.3

Leaping Lesbian Radio Thurs. 6 to 8 pm, CKMS-FM 94.5

Nowhere to Hide Wed. 8 to 9 pm, CKMS-FM 94.5

Rainbow Radio Network Thurs. 10:15 pm, CHRW-FM 94.7

Women Spin Wed. 6 to 8 pm, CKMS-FM 94.5

Women Wise Wed. 10:30 to 12:30 am, CKWR-FM 98.7

Gaywire Thurs. 7 to 8 pm CIUT-FM 89.5

WOMEN

a discussion group for
LESBIAN, BISEXUAL & QUESTIONING WOMEN

Mondays 5:00 to 7:00 pm
Women's Resource Centre
University Centre, Room 107
for more info. please call 824-4120 ext. 8559

Want to Rent Out a Room?
Need to Share an Apartment or a Bathtub
Looking for Gay+ Housing?
Have a Gay+ Organization or
Business to Advertise?

Then Drop us a line at the Gayline or
GLOBE Office. We'll post your
info. on our Infoboard!



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resumes ~ business cards
photo mechanical transfers
t-shirt designs ~ brochures
newsletters ~ promotional
kits

Room 273, University Centre,
University of Guelph
824-4120 ext. 6745

AIDS Committee of Guelph and Wellington County

265 Woolwich St
Guelph, ON N1H 3Z8

Tele: (519) 763-2255

Hours: Monday to Friday ~ 8:30 - 4:30 pm



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Deadline

Submissions for the next newsletter must be received by February 15 1994.

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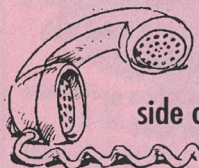
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THE GAYLINE . . . (519) 836-4550



Monday & Wednesday • 7:30 to 9:30 pm
A 24 hour recorded message is available out
side of staffed hours.

The Gayline provides peer counselling, support, and information for the Gay and Lesbian community of Guelph and area. Call our office phone at (519) 824-4120 ext. 8575 if you wish to leave a message at any other time.