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**Gay,  
Lesbian  
& Bisexual  
Equality**

*of Guelph*

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**May - June 1994**



# Executives' Report



## Dance Coordinator

Hi there. My name's Julie and I'm your Cruise Director... NAWT!! Actually, the name is C-Cose, Billy-Man or Godzilla (tasters' choice). I'm officially your Dance Coordinator, but I prefer the title of IMPERIAL PARTY PERSON. My goal is to make our monthly dances "all that"; with that in mind they will no longer be yet another function, but will be known as EVENTS. In the near future plans are in progress for a pre- Pride Day bash in May and "The Prom Your Parents Warned You About" in June. In order for these EVENTS to be successful, I crave and desire (in my most private moments) YOUR input. If you have an idea, tell me personally or drop me a message on the line. Remember, Ms. Bernhard said it best... "Without me, uh, I mean, WITHOUT YOU... I'M NOTHING!!"

## Activities Coordinator

Howdy y'all! I'm Elizabeth, and really AM your cruise director. Actually I'm your new baby dyke activities coordinator, and I'm really looking forward to an exciting and fun year. I'm also looking for suggestions (lewd and otherwise) for things to do in the days ahead. You can drop off any ideas you have at the GLBE office, but we'd rather you came on out to the meetings. Hope to see y'all there.

## Executive Coordinator

Greetings people! My name is Lynda and I'm the new Executive Coordinator for GLBE. I'm looking forward to working with our new Executive committee. I think we have an enthusiastic group of people on board for 1994-95. I would also like to thank the outgoing Committee for keeping the group rolling this past year. As a former committee member (Activities 1990-92), I know the trials and tribulations of running a volunteer organization. To all the members and friends of GLBE, I take this opportunity to invite (challenge) you to make this group of ours work for you. Bring us your ideas, suggestions, criticism, and acknowledgements. Get involved! Peace, love and happiness to all. L.C.P.

## Education Coordinator

Hi! I'm Matt, and I'm your new Education Coordinator. My main duties include coordinating the Gayline, the GLBE Library (which is in our office in the University Centre rm 537) and the Buddy System. I'm hoping to expand our library and purchase many new & current books in the next year. I'm also looking for new Buddy volunteers to hook up with those in need. If you are interested in becoming a Buddy, or would like more information about the Buddy System, give the office a call and leave a message for Matt.

Don't forget!  
Gay & Lesbian  
Pride Day is July 3

## Public Relations Coordinator

Hello! My name is Brandon and for the next little while I will be your Public Relations Coordinator. My main duty is to put the newsletter together, which is impossible to do alone. In other words, we need your contributions!!! Without events to announce, issues to discuss or stories to share, this would only be a few blank pieces of coloured paper, and it would be silly to photocopy and distribute those, wouldn't it? Any one of us would be happy to hear your activity suggestion to help fill the empty grid on the calendar page, or receive a letter on something you would like to bring to the attention of the gay community.

I will also take care of lining up advertising in the campus student publications and the local newspapers, and writing letters to the editor. Again, if there's something you think needs to be out in the open, please let me know!

Immediate priorities: finding somewhere to print so I don't have to fax the newsletter to myself from the computer, and locating a smart spell checker.

To reach any of us, or to receive more information on anything in this newsletter, leave a message at the GLBE office by calling (519) 824-4120, ext 8575.

## GLBE Financial Corner

Welcome to the Financial corner, the dollars and cents column of the GLBE. Your continuing financial director is Robert Zwaag. I would just like to wish the new executive welcome aboard. I look forward to another fun filled year!! Our financial situation is looking great, as we just received a \$300.00 donation from the AIDS committee of Guelph and Wellington County, we send a big thank-you out to them. Just a reminder that all membership renewals will be sent out in this newsletter, why wait? You know who you are; send in your renewal notice today or purchase a new membership for only \$15.00. P.S.: buy a new membership before June 1, 1994 and save \$5.00 off our new Pride Day t-shirts.

Do you want to know where your money goes? Well below you will find the proposed budget for 1994-1995:

<u>Revenue</u>	
Dances:	1500.00
Membership fees:	300.00
Advertising:	200.00
Donations:	500.00
Total Revenue:	\$2500.00

<u>How GLBE spends</u>	
Special events:	316.00
Newsletter:	238.00
Printing:	150.00
Office Sup.:	50.00
Gayline:	420.00
Office Phone:	384.00
Meetings:	120.00
Advertising:	150.00
Library:	500.00
Gay Pride Day:	100.00
Bank Charges:	72.00
Total Spending:	\$2500.00

Total Income: 0.00



# May - June 1994

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 GLBE meeting: Girl-movie night	4	5 TUAH meeting Details on p. 6	6	7
8	9	10 GLBE meeting: Summer planner	11	12	13	14
15	16	17 GLBE meeting: Games night	18	19 TUAH meeting	20 PFLAG meeting Details on p. 6	21 Mystery Dance On one of these two Saturdays!
22	23	24 GLBE meeting: BBQ & Baseball!	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 GLBE meeting: Films & discussion of "The Gay Agenda" and "Sacred lives, Civil Truths"	1	2 TUAH meeting	3	4
5	6	7 GLBE meeting: Boy-movie night	8	9	10	11 Semi-formal Prom Night! See details on p. 6
12	13	14 GLBE meeting: Pride Day Preparations	15	16 TUAH meeting	17 PFLAG meeting	18 Unity '94 (Gay Games) in NYC, through the 25th
19	20	21 GLBE meeting: BBQ & Baseball	22	23	24 Trip to Gay Pride Weekend in NYC, organized by BGLAD	25
26 Gay Pride day in New York - 25th anniversary of Stonewall Riots	27	28 GLBE meeting: Speaker: Glen from ACGWC on Holistic Health	29	30 TUAH meeting	Big Event: GLBE Summer Bash on Friday, July 15! Stay tuned for details	
Call the Gayline at 836-4550 for changes or additions to any of the above activities.						



## Letters



This is where your letters go!

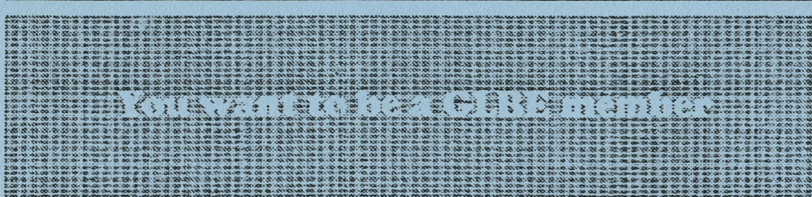
## Community Notices

PFLAG meets every third Friday of the month. This group offers support to family and friends of lesbians and gays. Please call the gayline or visit the GLBE office for more information, or call Grace at (519) 822- or Barbara at (519) 853-

Teens United Against Homophobia (TUAH) meets every second Thursday at University Centre room 536, starting May 5. Please call the GLBE office and leave a message for Caroline.

C-Cose is still looking for two people to be on the dance committee. This job requires only two evening meetings per month, one following a dance and one just before. Leave a message on the office phone if you're interested.

## Subliminal Message Corner



## Events

At the GLBE Summer Planner meeting on May 10, we will be getting input on things you want to do over the summer, plus begin planning a camping trip to Cedars In August.

GLBE is having a t-shirt logo design contest for Pride Day. The slogan is "The best is yet to come", and the deadline is May 17.

The Semi-formal Prom is on Saturday, June 11. Tickets for the dinner and dance are available in advance at the Tuesday night meetings. Dance tickets will be sold at the door as well. There will be a 50/50 draw, and other contests!

The Gay Games, held in Manhattan, begin on June 18. Events include diving, figure skating, f(1)ag football, physique competitions, power lifting, softball, swimming, water polo, track & field, wrestling, and an underwear fashion show. The same week there is also a cultural festival in NYC. Bilinging may still be available. More info is available from the office.

The trip to New York to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots leaves on June 24. Come to a Tuesday meeting for info and tickets.

Pride Day in Toronto is July 3, so as not to conflict with the events in New York.

GLBE is having a summer bash on Friday, July 15. More details to follow.

## Deep Thoughts

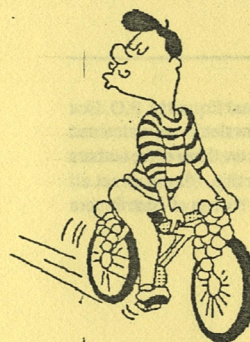
There's nothing worse than seeing the look of disappointment and disapproval on the faces of friends or family members after you've come out to them, after you've introduced them to your new lover, or when you speak with them about issues of importance to the gay and lesbian community. Even though they may respond with acceptance, understanding, love and support and treat you as well as they always have, it may be hard for you to escape the sinking feeling that you've let them down.

Feeling as if you've failed in the eyes of those you love is a difficult emotion to work through. You know you could make everything "right" again with them if you told them you weren't gay, if you brought home a lover of the opposite sex, or if you stopped discussing issues that affect your gay community.

But trying to be someone other than you are, hiding the truth, or not being open and honest will still make you feel like you're a failure—not to others, but to yourself. Today, be mindful that what you share with those you care for is said not purposefully to hurt them, but to help them understand you better. While a friend or family member may never be able to accept you or your sexuality, what they can accept is your openness and honesty.

Thought for the days to follow: I'll treat those I love as I hope to be treated, without judgment, criticism, or rejection. While I won't expect them to accept everything about me, I hope they'll accept my honesty.

- Amy E. Dean



Le petit pédé



The Gayline  
(519) 836-4550

Mondays & Wednesdays, 7:30 - 9:30 pm  
Staffed by a male volunteer Mondays, a female volunteer Wednesdays.

The Gayline provides peer counselling, support, and information for the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual 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.



## Organizations

Gay and Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo. (GLOW); c/o Federation of Students; Univ. of Waterloo; Waterloo, Ont; 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, Eaton Centre, 55 Wyndham St., Guelph, Ont, N1H 8J4. (519) 746- Social recreational group with various activities, bimonthly newsletter. Membership: \$15/year.

## AIDS Committee of Guelph and Wellington County

265 Woolwich St.  
Guelph, Ont.  
N1H 3Z8  
Tel: (519) 763-2255

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

## 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. Saturday only. \$2 members, \$3 non-members.

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

## Radio Shows

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

Gaywire, Thurs. 7 to 8 pm, CIUT-FM 89.5.

## GLBE Newsletter

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## Deadline

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

## Monthly Advertising

All camera ready advertising and advertising requiring typesetting will be considered for inclusion in the newsletter. For inquiries into monthly rates, please send your correspondence c/o The Editor to the above address. The GLBE reserves the right to limit the amount of advertising sold in the newsletter.