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COMMUNITY CALENDER

A not-for-profit publication serving the lesbian/gay community in Kitchener, Waterloo, Guelph, and Cambridge. Available at ACCKWA, Blueleaf Bookshop, Bookshelf Cafe, Circles, Dr. Disc, GLLOW, Global Community Centre, Guelph Gay and Lesbian Equality, Guelph Women in Crisis, Princess Cinema, The Robin's Nest, Surrender Dorothy, UW Women's Centre, Womansline Books (London), Women's Bookstop (Hamilton), Woodsworth Books.

The PTCC can use more volunteer help. Contact GLLOW at 884-GLOW 7 to 10pm weekdays. (At other times press * on a touch tone phone to leave a message.) Mailing Address: P.O. Box 986, Waterloo, N2J 4S1

New Times for GLLOW

The directors for GLLOW are preparing to step up the level of activities and community involvement in the organization. There has been a noticeable upswing in the number of activities going on in the K-W lesbian and gay community, and GLLOW wants to follow that lead. GLLOW wants to plan more events and improve the quality of service that provides.

Community outreach is the key to getting people involved. Through increased organization GLLOW will be able to approach the general community more effectively.

GLLOW encourages people to get involved with their activities, for example on Dec. 15 there will be a planning meeting to determine what GLLOW is going to be doing in the next four to twelve months. If you want to get involved in an organization that has tremendous potential now is the time to do it!

GLLOW is working to serve the community. GLLOW hopes that people will take them up on the offer.

Coming in the Pink Triangle Community Calendar Close Ups Book Reviews Film Reviews Comics & Quotes Travelogue

Wondering What's Going On?

Give GLLOW a call at 884-GLOW, Mondays to Fridays 7 to 10 pm.

Calendar of Events

December Events

Sunday 8 FSCC Advent II, Pastor Lloyd. 7:30pm.

Friday 13 WOODS planning night. 7:30pm.

Saturday 14

GLLOW Planning Evening. University of Waterloo. 5:00pm. Meet at GLLOW office, CC208. Call 884-GLOW for directions!

Sunday 15

WOODS outdoor snow sports. FSCC Advent III, Guest Speaker. 7:30pm.

Tuesday 17

WOODS Films: Two In Twenty and The Finale. 7:30pm.

Thursday 19

ACCKWA Christmas Open House 3:00-9:00pm: Please join us to cel-



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the season, learn of our programs, and meet the Board and Staff of ACCKWA. 13-1601 River Rd. East, Kitchener.

Sunday 22 FSCC Advent IV, Pastor Lloyd. 7:30pm.

Tuesday 24 FSCC: Christmas Eve Day at Thompson Hall, Toronto. 10:00pm.

Wednesday 25

Merry Christmas!!

Wednesday January 1

Happy New Year!!

Saturday, January 25

Heather Bishop in Concert with Sherry Shute. 8:00pm. Zion United Church -The Round Room. 32 Weber St. West, Kitchener. Tickets \$13.00/balcony, \$15.00/main floor. Available at Provident Bookstore. Call 741-

info. Ask for Mary

Joy.

WOODS Ski Weekend/Camping

Plans are underway for a ski weekend to be held either Feb 7-9, or Feb 14-16. Stay tuned for more information!!

Future issues of the PTCC will contain this section devoted to specific destinations of interest to the gay community. Each issue will focus on one specific city or region that one of our writers has recently visited. Guest columns are always welcome, too, if you've travelled somewhere and are willing to share your adventures and opinions on the bar scene and other gay establishments and events, not to mention the boys! While generally, most gay bars are safe enough, the areas they are sometimes located in are not. Gay frequented parks and cruising areas are for the most part NOT safe. Bathhouses are safer than both parks and going home with a stranger from a bar in which no one knows where you are going. Your own common sense is your best defence, places we mention as fun, and or safe or worthwhile are personal recommendations only.

Besides your personal safety there are also legal aspects to be considered. The only

provinces and territories to have passed legal rights against discrimination by sexual orientation are Ontario. Ouebec, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, and Yukon. Remember which provinces support your orientation when you plan your next vacation. Things are worse in the United States: 26 states still have sodomy laws. Of these 26 states, six discriminate against gays specifically and have homosexual sodomy laws only (Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nevada and Texas). The 'FREE' states have no sodomy laws, and thus you can not be convicted of same sex anal intercourse (above the age of consent, of course!). These states are: Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. Only three states to date have a comprehensive gay rights law in place: Wisconsin, Massachusetts and New York. On a global scale, as of late 1989, homosexuality is not Contineued

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On November 9th, at Jarvis Collegiate

in Toronto Ron Romonovski and Paul Phillips played to a packed audience. The concert was to benefit the Gay Fathers of Toronto. Some people (at least I do) may remember their last concert in Toronto some three years ago. Well, this one was even better!

Romanovski and Phillips deal with the dark side of gay life with a good deal of humour. Laughter is one of the best ways to heal a community. Many of their songs were just fun, granted, but they were not afraid to tackle AIDS, homophobia and equality. If their songs left any doubt then the witty cutting banter they exchanged did not. Through the humour there was a very powerful message that gay and lesbian people have a right to dignity and equality. As if to prove the growing power of our movement we were visited by several of the Toronto municipal candidates, including Jack Layton. The concert was called "Love is all it takes to make a Family" and it was supporting their fourth album "Be Political, not Polite". Their Canadian Tour consisted of Ottawa, Toronto, and Sudbury, and while they have promised to return, they have forsworn November! Anyway, the concert was fabulous, and when they return it's a must see, darling! Take it from me, Scottie, your critic at large.

You can get more information about Romanovski and Phillips by writing:

Fresh Fruit Records 369 Montezuma #209 Santa Fe, NM 87501 1-800-473-7848

New Respect for Lady Diana

During the Royal visit the Princess of Wales stopped at Casey House in Toronto and talked with each resident. As Christie Blatchford said "...Diana is the bridge, you see, the bridge between fear and acceptance, between ignorance and knowledge, between Casey House and appalling bigotry." She know there was little she could for our suffering brothers but she also knew how much she could do to change the attitudes of 9/10ths of the city. Each hand she shook and each bed she sat on in the Hospice showed the people to be less afraid of AIDS and the people who have it. As June Callwood, the honorary director of Casey House said "..the attitudinal change can be profound. When a princess comes, it is an anointment."

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illegal in Thailand, China, Brazil, Argentina, Columbia, Mexico, Peru and New Zealand, as well as most European and Central American countries. This is not to state that it is fully legal in these countries, but in a lot of cases a complete denial of its existence. On the other hand there is definite legislative laws against homosexuality in: Ireland, USSR, Romania, Cuba, Chile, Ecuador, Jamaica, India, Singapore,

Malaysia, Pakistan, Bangladesh as well as all the Islamic countries of North Africa and the Middle East plus the rest of Africa and the Caribbean. Back on a more local level, there are now 68 North American municipalities that have enacted some form of protective legislation. So, enjoy your travels, be careful, and next month TRAVELOG will skip across the border to Buffalo and Pittsburgh.

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GENERAL NOTICES

Guelph Gay and Lesbian Equality (GGLE) meets every **Tuesday** at 8pm in room 536 of the University Centre at the University of Guelph.

Gay and Lesbian Liberation of Waterloo (GLLOW) holds GLLOW nights every Wednesday in room 104 of the Modern Languages Building, University of Waterloo. GLLOW nights will continue until December. GLLOW volleyball nights are held every Thursday at 8pm at Southridge Public School, 1425 Queen's Blvd, Kitchener.

The Free Spirit Community Church (FSCC) holds services every Sunday evening at 7pm, and every Wednesday evening at 7:30pm, Unitarian Fellowship House, 136 Allen Street East, Waterloo.

RADIO SHOWS

Feminist Framework, Wed. at 10:30-11:00am, CKWR-FM 98.7 Feminist Frequency, Sun. at 7-8pm, CFRU-FM 93.3 The Leaping Lesbian Radio Show, Thurs. at 6-8pm, CKMS-FM 94.5 Nowhere to Hide, Wed. at 8-9pm, CKMS-FM 94.5 Women Spin, Wed. at 6-8pm, CKMS-FM 94.5 Women Wise, Wed. at 10:30pm-12:30am, CKWR-FM 98.7

CKWR-FM is a non-profit community radio station. They are seeking volunteers to produce a gay and lesbian issues program of music and current affairs. If you would like to get involved please contact CKWR, 51 Regina Street N., Waterloo. 886-9870

Promenant AIDS Researcher Dies

One of Canada's premier AIDS researchers has died. This is dedicated in memory of Dr. Randall Coates who died recently of liver failure. He passed away a month ago after having been sick since April with liver disease, hepatitis B and AIDS.

He was the first scientist to study how the virus that causes AIDS spread through the Toronto gay community. Dr. Coates was also one of the many to first prove that the virus is more likely to be transmitted during some sexual acts than others. This led to the safe sex campaigns that have drastically reduced the rate of new infections among gay men.

Dr. Coates was also a founding member of the AIDS Committee of Toronto. Donations can be sent there or to Casey House in Toronto.

> Exerts from The Toronto Star, Sept. 27/91 full Obituary available by Kelly Toughill

ORGANIZATIONS

AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo and Area (ACCKWA), 13-1601 River Road East, Kitchener, N2A 3Y4, (519)748-5556, Hours: 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday. ACCKWA offers support for HIV+ individuals.

AIDS Committee of Guelph and Wellington County (ACGWC), 202-73 Delhi Street, Guelph, N1E 6L9, (519) 763-2255. Hours: 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday

Free Spirit Community Church (FSCC) P.O. Box 191, Stn. C, Kitchener, N2G 3X9, 570-(afternoons). Weekly church services.

Gays and Lesbians of Waterloo (GLLOW), c/o Federation of Students, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, N2L 3G1. Office: 209 - Campus Centre, Phone: (519) 884-GLOW (4569), Monday-Friday, Messages other times (Press * on touchtone phone to leave a message). GLLOW provides peer counselling, a library, a housing registry, coffeehouses, dances and general information.

Guelph Gay and Lesbian Equality (GGLE), P.O. Box 773, Guelph, N1H 6L8. Office: 536 - University Centre, University of Guelph, Phone: (519) 836-4550, 7:30-9:30pm, Monday-Thursday, Messages other times. *GGLE provides* peer counselling, social nights, dances, newsletters and general information.

Lesbian and Gay Youth of Waterloo Region, P.O. Box 863, Stn C, Kitchener, ON, N2G 9C5. Address to LGYWR Attn R. Moore.

OWLS - an informal discussion group for professional lesbians 35 and over. Call 884-GLOW for contact information.

Women Out of Doors (WOODS), P.O. Box 986, Waterloo, ON, N2J 4S1. Phone (519) 746tional group with various activities, bimonthly newsletter. Membership -\$15.00/year.

BARS AND CLUBS

Circles! 24 Charles Street W. Kitchener, ON 570-4566 Hours: Mon-Thur:7:00pm-1:30am Fri-Sat:5:00pm-3:00am Sun:7:00pm-1:30am

The Pink Zone 223 1/2 King St. Kitchener, On

The Robin's Nest 26 Hobson Street Cambridge, ON Saturdays Only.

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