Issue 5

FanFair Gazette

Thurs., October 24

Tomorrow's Schedule

Friday October 25th 1991

Partners' Coffee Call (for couples)	*Watermark*	*9:30-?*
Fashion and Beauty	Gifford	9:30-11:30
Lunch: *Counseling the CD*	*Capers*	12:00-2:00
Lunch: Building the Ideal Self	*Flagship*	*12:00-2:00*
Lunch: Gift Giving	*Gruber's*	12:00-2:00
Speech I, Session 4	Fairbanks Lounge	2:00-3:30
Personal Development I, Session 3	Fairbanks Carriage House	*2:30-4:30*
Introduction to SM and BD	*Gifford (Backstreet)*	*2:00-5:30*
Awards Committee Meeting	Fairbanks	2:30-4:30
Newcomer Orientation	Gifford	4:00-5:30
Fantasy Ball	Gifford (Backstreet)	8:00-11:00

Changes are in italics.

Notices...

Tickets are still available for the following Friday events: Building the Ideal Self, Gift Giving in the Gender Community, and Introduction to SM and BD.

Gift Giving in the Gender Community is a special seminar that will discuss he many ways in which you can make contributions to the organization of your choice and maximize the benefits to yourself and the community.

Tomorrow's newsletter will be the **last one** this year! If there are any last-minute announcements, b be sure to get them in to the Fair office before noon.

More Inside....

Billie Jean Blabs (and blabs and...)

Good evening siblings, your misson this evening is to explore the outer limits of your own attributes. And, are we all in our places with red raw faces? And painfully sore feet? It's great to be a woman, isn't it-- you get to wear uncomfortrable shoes, spend a fortune on clothes and get them all wrinkled; and, earn sixty cents on the dollar if you go all the way-- ah life. Personally, love it-- the farther I push my limits, the bigger I become-- you know, if your on a search to find yourself, the first thing you have to know is where to look. The trick is to close your eyes, pierce the fog of that subvocal hum and tune into the cosmos-- course, when I do that people complain because I snore-- sheesh.

OKAY!! On to the hot dishy rumors: Numero Uno-- check this out kids, Doctor Docter, after spending all this time in "our" community, has finally come to grips with cross-dressing, and rumor has it, will be appearing at the Fantasy Ball in the alternate persona of... Nursie Nursie!! Way wacky cool, Doc--er--Nurse! (By the way, DD/NN was in this very office blowing hot air in my ear!!-- ooh, ooh.)

On a more serious note, their were a lotta lotta peple at the Erotic Power & Games seminar (by the way Ariadne, those tiger striped pants were simply faahbuulouss, darling!); gosh, I could hardly believe the number of siblings crossing and uncrossing their legs. In fact Cleo got so stimulated she decided to "Go down on the street." Darling, the street will probably enjoy that immensly, but your tongue may not last long! (I hope she uses a dental dam!)

Golly-gosh, sweethearts-- last night was the first night Billie Jean had a chance t visit some of the other houses, and hardly anyone was around! How do you expect me to vote for anybody if you all hide from me?? (Do I have bad breath or something??

HOT FLASH!: Figure his out (best answer gets the best prize)-- FanFair has a "New Woman" and a, hmm, fairly "Young Woman" couple (got that?)-- coupla lesbians, see; the question is, wich one is "butch' and which one is "fem"? No clues from the ear that never hears, but if you can't figure out who they are to start with, one is Fra Kaiser, the fascist, and the other is her lover.

Did ya check out that table last night at the Mews that had: An androgynous gay male, a gay male, a straight woman, a new woman, a lesbian woman, a hetero cross-dresser, and the alien from the consellation of California? Except that we were all white people a'plenty, it was the pot pourri of P'town!!

CONGRATULATIONS to all the recipients of the Outreach Awards! Now that most of the contributing individuals have been recognized, who will bust their ass over the next year? And the year after?This is not the culmination, just the beginning dear hearts, just the beginning.

Are your molecules dancing yet? Are you swimming the river of Truth that flows fluidly and flexibly?

Winning raffle tickets drawn at the Wednesday night Outreach Banquet were 5380215, 5380408, and 5380030. Prizes for the first two numbers were makeovers by Jim Bridges, and the third number won a silhouette analysis fromMuriel Olive. Thanks to everyone who helped make this phase of the raffle a success, but remember... there's another drawing still to come. So keep on buying those tickets!!!

New Visions of Gender

The last decade has witnessed a growing interest in gender identity/role. Ferment from within both the women's and men's movements has radically questioned the institutional social structures of American culture and the formulations of gender that support them. This has given rise to alternative perceptions of gender identity /role.

We have also witnessed new and important radical gender expressions from the world of pop music, both inmusical forms and mixed gender appearances (e.g., Boy George, Prince, Madonna, Eurythmics, Michael Jackson, Alice Cooper). These entertainers have had an important impact on American youth in their quest for gender expression.

Questions about what constitutes appropriate gender indendity/roles have also emerged from people who present gender conflicts to health care professionals (e.g., crossdressing behaviors, gender dysphoria, transsexualism, and androgyny). These expressions challenge gender identity/role definitions and traditional life-style options.

In September, the Outreach Institute and GAIN (the Gender Awareness and Involvement Network), which is the professionals' arm of Outreach, sponsored a day-long conference for social workers and other professionals interested in acquiring new knowledge of gender issues. Highlights of the conference included talks by Kathleen Logan Prince, a marital and sex therapist; Hugo J. Hollerorth, a sex educator; David Seil, a psychiatrist who works with the gender community; and our own Ari Kane.

Kathleen Prince spoke about new concepts of women's developmental experiences. She spoke about feminine characteristics that have traditionally been downgraded as valuables contributors to male and female health and happiness.

Hugo Hollororth used a format of small group discussions to explore concepts of masculinity and femininity in the current political climate. The history of how these qualities were developed into the social roles assumed today was discussed.

After lunch, Ari Kane spoke about gender perception and introduced participants to many resources where new information about gender roles could be accessed. Gender attribution as a means of accessing realistic gender roles and their expression was also discussed.

David Seil discussed gender disorders in the context of current psychiatric thought and presented his findings from a survey of his patients. The unique needs of the gender community were presented, and guidelines were offered for psychotherapy with the gender dysphoric client.

SM and BD!!!

Everything you wanted to know about SM and BD but were afraid to ask. Bill Henkin and Sybil Holliday will inform us about these variations on sexual pleasure. Come hear the myths debunked, learn about safety and techniques, and have your questions answered with anonimity. The use of fantasy, humor, fun, sexual theater, and role reversal, will be duscussed.

Be bold! Come to the Fair office and get one of the few remaining tickets for this exciting workshop. Only $25.

I WANT TO DOMINATE~

TO WHOM SHOULD I APPLY FOR PERMISSION?

Ashleigh Brilliant

Announcements...

Helen Strong's photos of Fair participants at various events are on display at Gifford House. If you are interested in obtaining copies, please call Helen at 487-1600. Helen will also take pictures at her studio at Angel's Landing, 353 Commercial St. There will be a $15.00 sitting fee for studio shots. Call and make an appointment.

Mariette Pathy Allen's book Transformations--Crossf-dressers and Those Who Love Them is available at Recovery Hearts Bookstore. (She will autograph your copy.) Each book sold benefits the Outreach Institute,. Buy an extra book and donate it to your local library or university. Bring some back to sell to your club sisters who may not know about it. It's also a great book for introducing the subject to family members, as it includes photos and interviews with loved ones. Mariette Pahy Allen's portfolio is on exhibit at the Provincetown Arts Association through Sunday. Please stop by to see these dye-transfer prints. Portfolios are for sale.

Recovering Hearts Bookstore, 4 Standish St. has the books mentioned on the book list in your packet. Drop in and browse, and support the townspeople that make this Fair possible.

For sale: Ariadne has two evening gowns for sale (suitable for the FanFair Awards Banquet), size 16. Call the Fair office and leave a message so Ari can arrange an appointment for you to see them.

Breast Forms for sale, size C, silicone. Contact Ramona, Hargood #3.

Early Bird Special

Guess what, ladies? It's not too soon to sign up for next year's Fantasia Fair!!! Come to the Fair office to get your early bird discount now.

Video Taping Schedule

Friday's videotaping schedule is as follows: Fashion and Beauty at Gifford 9:30 to 11:30; Dr. Docter's luncheon seminar , Building the Ideal Self, at Flagship from 12:00 to 2:00; Speech I with Bud Heuer at Fairbanks from 2:00 to 3:30; a special meeting with Merissa, Virginia, and Ariadne at 3:30; and at the Fantasy Ball, presentations of awards and the "parades."

Partners' Coffees

Friday, Oct. 25th at Dottie's--Watermark Inn (This coffee will be for couples!)

Saturday, Oct., 26th at Helga's--Hargood #7

We are starting our coffees at 9:30 and will go until ?

Marilyn Frank

Therapists Wanted

Do you have or know a therapist in the Northeast who needs more training in gender counseling? Please give Please give his or her name, address, etc. to Niela Miller, PO Box 132, Nagog Woods, MA 01718. She and two knowledgeable colleagues are offering a one-day training program through Boston University's School of Social Work Spring Institute. Information will be sent to your therapist.

Ear Piercing

Free with purchase of studs, $5 each, $10 per pair. Contact vernon at Gifford, Room 10.

Raffle Tickets

Ladies! Don't forget to purchase your raffle tickets before the drawing on Fridaynight. Remember, tickets are $2 each or sex (oops, SIX) for $10.

Wanted

Volunteers are needed to help with the Fantasy Ball on Friday night. Please see Delia W. at Chicago House (487-0537) if you are inspired (or even just willing) to lend a hand.

Video Tapes of the Fair

Videotapes done by professionals can be ordered at the Fair office. They will include not only the Fashion Show and the Follies, but numerous other events. Tapes are $28 plus $2 shipping and handling (that's $30 for those of you who don't have your calculators handy). Satisfaction guaranteed.