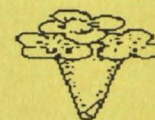
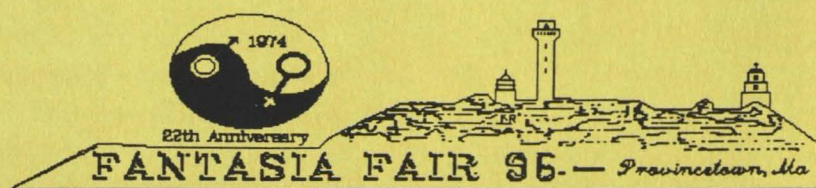
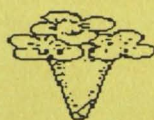


Thursday

October, 24th



Newsletter for Fantasia Fair - 96'

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS for Friday Oct 25th

MORNING -

- 8:30 - 9:30 T'ai Chi, R.Millen - 13
- 9:45-11:45 Feminization, Ousterhout MD - 7
- 9:45-11:45 Couples Concerns, Docter - 25
- 9:45-11:45 Transgender Research, Kirk MD - 14
- 9:45-11:45 Creative Expression, Miller - 15
- 10:45-11:45 Feminine Voice IV, A. Fennell - 13

LUNCHEON - Noon to 1:00pm Napi's Iguana

- 1:00-2:00 Androgynous Lifestyles, Kane 14
- 1:00-2:00 Gender 21st Century, Denny 10

AFTERNOON -

- 1:00-4:00 Ousterhout, MD - Clinic - 7
- 2:15-4:15 Healing Circle, Laing - 10 (Iguana)
- 2:15-4:15 Going Home, Ellaborn & Bank - 14
- 2:15-4:15 Makeup & Wardrobe, Evelyn & Crystal 15
- 2:15-4:15 Transform Core Beliefs, Millen - 15
- 5:30-7:30 Poetry & Wine, P'town Museum of Art 20

Evening -

- 9:00- Fantasy Ball - 15
- Midnight- House Parties

after activity denotes location on FF Map

FANTASY BALL

Polish up those rhinestones and fluff out those boas, cause the Fantasy Ball is coming to town !

Where else can you go and see Little Bo Peep, Elvira, and the Queen of England all in one room !

This event is open to all, which should make for some pretty interesting costumes considering the amount of creative people around these parts.

The judges have their work cut out for themselves as they must choose Mr. & MS Provincetown, Ms Unique and Mr. Bizarre.. BV

Quote of the Day - "Youthful beauty fades, written words about it, last forever" anon.

WHO'S HERE

Lauren and Kathryn Bode - come to us from San Francisco and are celebrating their wedding anniversary here. It has been one year since they were wed at the Unitarian Universalist Church during Fantasia Fair 1995. Back home they both work in the computer industry, Lauren in sales, and Kathryn is a field engineer. Together, they founded the Diablo Valley Girls, an open TG group, and the Wives and Husbands Outreach Organization, a couples group. This is the third Fair this loving couple have spent together.

Affirming their marriage bond at the Fair last year has made the '95 Fair their favorite, but this year's has also been special since Lauren has been in charge of the Significant Other programs. So far, Kathryn's modeling in the Fashion Show has been a new reward, and milestone, for them this year. They are such a sincere and committed pair that the Fair's participants, and everyone else, have been blessed by their presence. There are, at least, twenty or so spouses sharing the Fair this year.

To the spouses of TG Fair goers, Lauren encourages them by accenting their involvement as an accomplishment to even be here together. She stresses the friendly atmosphere of the Fair and P-town as being something to take advantage of during their stay. "Make the most of this diverse gathering by taking advantage of the strong bonds of friendship and trust that can develop so quickly here at the Fair. It is a unique opportunity to spend some special time with your spouse, to freely be the couple they are, within the Fair, and within this open community." Both Lauren and Kathryn also tell folks to spend a lot of time just having

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TOP QUALITY

Every Fair seems to effect me in a totally different way. After my first, I was pretty weepy when I got home. I wanted to share my joy with everyone, but settled on a select few. After my second, where I attended all possible workshops, I needed a home computer just to sort out all the information. After my third, where I mixed in the Fashion Show and the Follies, I knew that I was immersed in a movement to educate and explore. When I got home I wanted to shout " Freedom for All !" from the rooftops.

I became deeply involved in outreach. But after this Fair, I think I'm going to need a vacation ! Every year the quality of our expression grows a little more. We meet so many incredible people of courage and conviction that we all are continually reinforcing each other. We belong to a community that is diverse in its own diversity, yet when we meet, we all share a common bond. Each of our own gender expressions is our own personal quality, and at Fantasia Fair this quality has an opportunity to be polished and to shine.

We learn how to present our quality to others and how to receive their presentation. Our gender expression is the very texture of our being. When I refer to gender as a quality, I mean that every one of us strives for that moment in our lives, when who they are perceived as, is actually who they are, and not what society dictates

At the end of October, when I come back to P-town, I meet some new 'best friends', I see people I keep in contact with, and I see some that are simply my 'Fair friends'. All these remarkable people, participants, staff, professionals, speakers, and P-town itself, have all added to my personal quality. Thank-you all for always giving me a boost towards my moments. BV

FLUFF THE BUNNY

Several persons have asked where to get copies of *Fluff the Bunny*, the Dick and Jane style book that is being introduced into the Dade County Florida school systems to introduce diversity to youngsters. You might have luck finding these resource through its publisher:

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Quote of the day two -- *" The acceptance of other people is only truly satisfying when you risk being rejected as you really are."* Chris Howey

Who's Here cont.

fun. A beaming Lauren says, " Besides all the education and soldarity we all experience being here, we can't forget to enjoy ourselves too. There is so much to do and only so much time explore and learn, we do not want to miss a moment. Next week, we can sleep ".

The Bode's suggest that couples (if only one spouse is here, that's OK too) come to Dr. Richard Docter's workshop " Couples Issues " on Friday, from 9:30 - 11:30, at the Hargood House, in room #19.

When you see this wonderful couple this week, don't forget to wish them well on this special anniversary of their marriage vows. B.V.

ROOMERS FROM ROOMERS

During Marilyn Volker's session on fantasies, it came to light that several sisters shared a common fantasy.....seeing Jaimie's legs ! How about it Jaimie ?

Roomers got of to a good start in maintaining its reputation as an all night party house. An annual tradition of closing th "A" house dance club on Monday night of the Fair was kept in tack by Jaimie and Lisa. Various hi - tech discussions were then undertaken, at Roomers, from controlling th WWW to the latest in breast enhancement techniques.

submitted by your Roomers reporter, Lisa Martin

OIGS & IFGE Bookstores

During the week, OIGS has a bookstore at the office in the Pilgrim House, with many interesting and hard to find books.

On Friday and Saturday the OIGS Bookstore will move to Gifford #25 and join the expanded IFGE Bookstore. Vanessa Murray, of IFGE, will be glad to guide you in finding just the right books for your own interests and for taking home to family or significant others.

Last Call for the OIGS Elite Repeat Boutique

At the FanFair office has many wonderful, previously owned clothes, shoes, and wigs which might help you expand your wardrobe for this long week of events. Speaking of expanding - if that has been your problem this year, perhaps you might have some things that no longer fit which you could donate to the Boutique. All monies collected go to help the work of Outreach Institute.

NATIONAL TG LIBRARY & ARCHIVES

The NTL&A located in Atlanta, Ga., houses thousands of books, newspaper and magazine articles, flyers, program books, newsletters, and everything related to transgender issues. The NTL&A is dedicated to preserving our history, which has all too often been scattered and lost.

AEGIS director, Dallas Denny, who oversees the Library said, "There is an astonishing amount of material available but much has been irretrievably lost. The NTL&A ensures that the history we have will be preserved for future generations."

Denny said, "we are in need of all sorts of materials. We gratefully accept donations of books, magazines, photographs and other material. Please insure that your private collection lives on after you by arranging to donate it to the NTL&A. Future generations of transfolk will thank you."

Dallas Denny

Mariette Pathay Allen arrived yesterday, after attending the APA convention in Chicago. She will be setting up her office, to make appointments for photo sessions, at Pilgrim House in room #30. Stop by to see her or leave her a message.



Niela Miller, a psychotherapist and longtime faculty member of Fan Fair (15 years!) gave a stirring talk about her experience working with transfolk over nearly two decades. She read from her book "Counseling in Genderland," which contains passages providing information not only about us, but about how she came to be such a caring and competent professional, and how she came to care so much for those of us who are gender-blessed. She made a strong case for counselors drawing upon their personal experiences in working with their clients. After her talk, which followed a delicious meal at Dal's Landmark Restaurant, Niela signed copies of her book for the many buyers.

Dallas Denny

Congratulations Shirah and Hannah O'Donnell.

This Fair going couple had only signed up for the first half of the Fair because of financial restrictions. After saying their good byes, with teary eyes, on Wednesday, they were the recipients of a contribution by an anonymous donor and friend of the Fair.

This is truly an act of kindness, true sisterhood, and compassion. It only underscores the commitment to unity of our Fair participants. On behalf of Fantasia Fair, and its people, we thank you, wonderful person, whoever you are.

OUTREACH DINNER

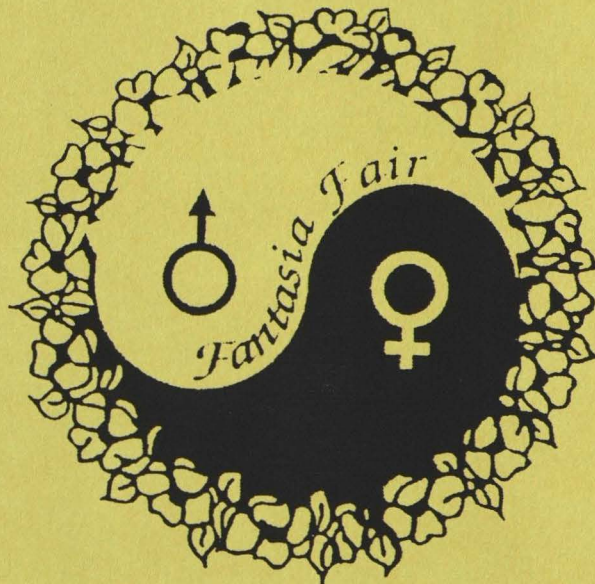
Ariadne Kane, founder of Fantasia Fair and Outreach Institute of Gender Studies, was hostess for the OIGS awards banquet last night. About 100 Fantasia Fair participants turned out in their best for the fine food and festivities at the Provincetown Inn.

This year's awards went to Joann White, treasurer of the Renaissance Education Association, Allison Laing, chairperson of the board of the I.F.G.E., and Leslie Feinberg, author of "Stone Butch Blues" and "Transgender Warriors."

Feinberg, who has been seriously ill this year, was unable to attend. From all of us, best wishes to Leslie for a speedy recovery.

Donna Bacheller

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