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Hi Folks, once again I come to you on paper and it is my pleasure to be able to write for you some of our news.

Another month gone by and the girl in cross dress had a lovely time. We wives also enjoyed talking with them.

I was very happy to be able to see Peggy & Lynn from Toronto this time a previous time they were here I was in the hospital. All those we have had at our meetings from Canada, have been a wonderful group of people. They all seem to radiate that beautiful smile.

Peggy and Lynn have had a group in Canada and Provinces going for a year and are now beginning to get some new T.V.'s in. Any of you girls who wish to attend one of the gatherings let Wilma know and she can give you the address where to go. It is surprising how much you can enjoy yourself when you go to these gatherings. It is an opportunity to meet others like yourself who cannot come out in the public so come on girls get up and go.

We were happy to welcome two new members again this month. Alice came from Poughkeepsie dressed in a long blue dress, sandals, black wig. For a first time in a group she did pretty good.

Celia came to us from New Jersey, Celia has been getting to the different gatherings and seems to be enjoying what she sees. Celia dressed in a skirt and blouse, was taking pictures of all the gals and having a good time. Celia has already made her date to be back for the Sept. meeting as next month is the last for the summer, and she is not able to make it in June. So it is right to say she must have enjoyed being with her Sisters.

Lynn from Toronto took some group pictures, hope they come out alright.

Another little note anyone who may be visiting Canada or Toronto get in touch with Peggy & Lynn and they will put you in good hands to see that you have a good time.

The girls who made the meeting this month were: Peggy and Lynn from Toronto, Pat and Lynn from Rochester, Alice from Poughkeepsie, Celia from New Jersey, Cris from Saratoga, Joan from Colonie, Dennie and Jo from Peekskill, Winnie from Schenectady, and Wilma & I.

The menu I had planned for the night went astray, as I couldn't find a good piece of Roast Beef which I had intended to make, so I had to roast a turkey, dressing, potatoes au gratin,

battered lima beans, dill pickles, spiced apple rings, and some sweet green tomatoes sliced (that I had made my self) bread and butter. For our coffee we had two different cakes to choose from, which Pat from Rochester had made, and both were delicious. Thank you Pat.

Lynn who traveled from Rochester seemed to come down with a headache, but we doctored her up with aspirin so that before the evening was over she had some relief.

Last month one of our girls who had planned on coming, but didn't quite make it here so she sent a check to us to cover her meal. Darlene we thank you for your thoughtfulness.

This month Louise from Conn. sent her check ahead just incase she didn't make it as she had planned. She remembered we had it in the minutes as a rule, so I guess some of the girls take time to listen to the meeting when it is being conducted.

Say Crystal the gals missed you as they enjoy your letters from Aunt Harriet, and of course they missed your friendly charm.

Elanda wound back in England again so she had to miss the meeting, and it might just be maybe Elanda has a Boy friend over there. How about it Elanda?

Jean from Platsburg, had an overload of work so she had to work the hot weekend. We missed you Jean.

Shelia from Colchester, didn't get to make the meeting as she has a bad back problem and her legs also. Do hope you will be alright Shelia, and make the June meeting as it will be the last for the summer. Also drop a line so we know how you are.

Sure do miss you Billie up there in Vermont. What is happening? How is your Mother? are you still working your job, and the Motel for Mom. Let us hear from you.

Kathy you played hookey this month, we all looked forward to seeing you. Also you Kim and June. Hope to see you all next month as there are no meetings in the summer.

Our good wished and good luck to Connie and Alice in Florida with their venture in starting a new group down there. It seems that pretty soon all T.V.'s will have some place to go to enjoy themselves and cross dress.

I'll take this time to say Hello to all T.V.'s out there who are members or subscribers to the paper but cannot get here to be with us, but Wilma and I are glad that the paper gives you a bit of pleasure just reading about the sisters who make it here. We hope to be able to visit with some of you when we are retired, as we plan to do some traveling.

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I have had so many letters from T.V.s asking me how I found out about my husband being a Transvestite, that I thought I would put it in this Newsletter.

First of all I am very broad minded, I listen to all sides before I pass any judgement. I judge people by my own standards, not what some one tells me. I am far from being stupid, as some wives are called simply because they let their men cross dress. So here is my story:

Quite by accident I found out about my Husbands dressing, when we were married some twenty eight years ago I had no idea he was a transvestite. I didn't even know about the word, wasn't educated to that kind of life. We had a fairly good marriage, we both worked, I had a daughter from a previous marriage and Bill treated her as his own.

One day my daughter decided to quite school and go to work partime and for this she needed her Birth certificate. All our important papers were kept in a file downstairs, so I went to look for it and came across a box of slides. I knew those slides were not to be in there as we had a large cabinet which all pictures, slides and anything to do with cameras was kept in it. Any how I put the box down and continued to look for my daughters certificate, but some how curiosity kept getting the best of me, so I finally went upstairs and got the view finder and proceeded to look at the slides. Well I'm telling you the first slide I looked at showed my husband in bra and panties. The first words that came out of my mouth were "Oh! my God, which I kept repeating over and over as I kept going through the slides. My thoughts were " Who the hell is he dressing for " my stomach felt like some one had their hand in it and was just twisting it over and over, I shook felt sick, I just didn't know what to do, should I tell him I found the pictures, or should I just forget about it. But my mind did not rest, I said we'll just have to talk this over no matter what happens.

Being he was working nights and I on days we really never had too much time to talk together, usually we left notes on the table. That night I left him a note saying I would be up to take a ride with him on the bus (he was a bus operator.) as I had something I would like to talk to him about. I was as nervous as all Hell. At times he was a very moody person and for a long time he would say he had to go to New York to see his mother, and several days before I just had to be quiet as we usually would wind up in an argument if I asked him if he had to go, but when he returned home he was just like a new person. Some how he had surmised what I was going to talk to

him about, because when we got to the end of the line, he turned around and said well ! what's bothering you. Some how I managed to blurt it out how I had found the slides of him in women clothing. His remark was "If you weren't so nosey you wouldn't have seen them. After telling him how I came across the slides, I asked him to try to explain it to me as I had the feeling he may be dressing for another man. This he did little by little, but believe me I was not at all comfortable for a while so he then showed me some books to read on the subject and little by little I had educated myself to the point where I was willing to have him have others in the house so I could further educate myself. By doing this I found that he no longer cared to go to New York, asking him why, he told me he used to go down so that he could dress as when he was not able to dress at home, his nerves were up tight and that this was the reason he was so miserable and we had the arguments.

It was kinda hard for me to accept the fact that he had to dress to relieve all his nervous tension, but as I read more and began to meet some of the other men who also dressed I learned that there was something about their bodies that required soft clothing.

Time went by and I began to learn what Homosexuals were, what T.S.' were, and how they differed from transvestite. Time went by and I found that he had become more relaxed, we became closer in our marriage. By now I was ready to see him fully dressed and have some of the others in who could not dress at home.

They all turned out to be a great group of men. I looked for faults, I listened to their conversations to see if there was anything wrong, but like I say I found nothing. I enjoyed their company, and as time went by I thought I might try bringing some of the wives to better understand the subject of transvestism. By this time I saw that he was completely happy, we had no secrets from each other and our love life grew deeper and strong.

Today he is 64 and I am 53 and I am happy to say that we have a beautiful married life. We have our T.V.'s here once a month and then we have our social life with our straight friends, which you might say that with the two lives we live we have an abundance of friends

Through the T.V.'s I have made myself some lovely friends with their wives who come along with them to the meetings. I only wish that more of the wives could open up their hearts and at least try to listen and help their men. My space is running out so I will perhaps put some more in one of the newsletters later on. I cannot begin to really tell you how I feel in writing but I try to express myself to those T.V.'s who are fortunate to be able to make the meeting. I treat them all with respect, kindness, an effection of love because I love them all and I loved the fact that I found out about my husband's second life. I am happy to be loved by my husband, because I learned to love him as a man and as a T.V. He's happy, it makes me happy. LOVE TO ALL HELEN

E D I T O R I A L

DON'T live a life that is subjected to your own guilts and taboos. IF you do, you'll live a life of absolutely un-necessary torture and un-happiness. GUILTS create "hidden fears and eventual complete breakdowns. ADMIT to yourself that you truly know what you love in life - and as long as it never hurts anyone - DO the things you love AND, do them with a clear, and "guiltless" mind. LOTS of people will NOT agree with your way, because of their OWN guilts and fears, and their LACK of understanding. However, you must remember that YOU AND ONLY you are living your own life.

DON'T go to a psychiatrist for the purpose of him CHANGING your "guilty" ways - but, if you do go to a psychiatrist go with the MAIN purpose in mind of FULLY ACCEPTING yourself - for what you ARE AND DESIRE! BELIEVE me, I Fully and truly KNOW that Transvestism most of all the various fetishes, and even mild discipline, are deep and very real and BEAUTIFUL things. THEY are a positive part of this life and world, and they should be FULLY ACCEPTED BY THE INDIVIDUAL who truly has them. TO try to rout out these feelings is the most horrible, wasteful, unnecessary thing that a human being can do, AND, in addition, one NEVER can rid oneself of these DEEP AND TRULY DESIRED THINGS! TO do so is almost impossible - and should never even be attempted.

I thoroughly indorse, and believe in individuals SEEKING OUT their OWN types! PEOPLE like myself who are definitely "different and unusual - should not be made to feel guilty or badly about "seeking out our own TRUE level. THIS is made possible by joining a real TV club and meeting others in person just like yourself. IT is a shame that "society has dictated the "rules" of proper living" and subjected more good people who happen to have "unusual" desires to a miserable, lonely, frustrated, empty colorless life than can be EVER be calculated! REMEMBER: NOTHING IN THIS WORLD IS MORE PROUDLY BEAUTIFUL THAN MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING. I most SINCERELY PRAISE YOU ALL FIND IT.

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IT'S really great to have many friends that share their publications with us so we can get the information we find out to you.

WE would like to have more material on what is going on and where. IF you have any news or stories you would like printed, send them in.

WE always need information on every phase of transvestism and related subjects.

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ALL TV's long for understanding, but very few do anything to help bring it about. EACH of you should be a focal point from which a ripple of understanding spreads out over the pool

of ignorance. MAKE a point of telling people about men who like to dress in femme clothes. DO it in an informative, none guilty way. START out with people you meet the first time and whom you may never see again. THEY in turn will certainly tell others. THE telling will be very helpful in relieving a lot of accumulated tension and guilt. IT will help you to arrive at the point where you can tell your wife or parent.

W I L M A

AN old TV went to the pm psychiatrist. HE said: "Doc, I know you can help me with my problem." THE doctor asked: "WHAT is the problem?" HE said: "THE problem is I'M always chasing girls." THE doctor said: "WELL there is no problem there, that's wonderful." THE man said: "I know it's wonderful." but in my case I can't remember why."

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED:

I am pleased to announce the enrollment of seven new members this month.

- Vanessa --- Montreal ---- Canada
- evelin ---- Norwich ----- N. Y.
- Helen ----- Cape Charles - Va.
- Laurie ---- Baton Rouge -- La.
- Alice ----- Poughkeepsie -- N. Y.
- Janet Fulton Fulton ----- N. Y.
- Jane ----- Rochester ---- N.Y.

WE all hope to see you new members in the coming months in person and may you find many friends among us.

THERE are no treasures greater than friends.

N E X T G A T H E R I N G S :

DO to personal matters I am forced to move up our JUNE gathering to the 2nd Saturday JUNE 14th.

THE JUNE gathering will be the last one until SEPTEMBER 20th.

OF all the things and pleasures life can bring friendship is the sweetest thing.



Lucky guy, My father won't let me on the street when I'm dressed up.

# letters to the editor

Dear Helen & Wilma.

BEING the wife of a TV has not been the easiest thing in the world or my life, but after much help from you and my husband's ceaseless patience and consideration, I have found a much more full life. BOTH of us have gained insight since I finally faced up to the facts And stoped passing it off as something that would eventually dissappear.

IT is fitting after all that has been said, all the trials we have weathered, that I add a final word. IN doing so, I've asked myself some pointed questions, the answer to wich are a revelation, for I never thought we'd make it.

ALTHOUGH I was quite concernrd over his bent on trans - sexualism, I feel now that there is really very little chance of it materalizing. I suppose this is due to the fact that both of us have come to face life squarely.

THERE no longer seems to be a valid reason for another of my fears, that even as a TV, she would overpower him. THIS has really worried me, particularly since I relize that he/she is more of a blended personality, rather than two separates.

IT has been difficult for me to face this attractive "girl" since I view myself as rather opposite. I think this should give ~~me~~ one the incentive to improve her own feminine image. SEEING her, it made me realize that a TV can be attractive and feminine, we women should at least TRY. YOU'VE heard it said, "after a girl gets married, she lets herself go", I must admit, I was one that did, but no longer.

I'VE found that a good way to help her feel welcome is helping with the wardrobe purchasing. WE'VE enjoyed several TV/ GG chopping trips, and it is comical to see some of the side glances we exchange when a salesperson is trying to sell something to me when it is really for her. IT would help if we had similar coloring.

IT'S amazing to me how relaxed she is, whether all "dolloed up" or just in lounging togs. I don't think its a conscioes action, but she curls up in a chair just like a GG.

Since facing and accepting my marriage to a TV, I must say the reflection in his/her disposition has been enomes. AS for our marital harmony now; what a difference! IT makes me feel like we are newlyweds rather than battle scarred veterans. WE had lived over five years in a state on mental missery, but now we are catching up on all we missed - happiness-contentment, peace of mind and most of all, ~~we~~ the exchange of mutual love without fear.

THERE has been a wonderful change in our lives since I've grown to

understand and accept. THE happiness I now have is the first real happiness that I have felt in the six years of our marriage, I'M a different person too; a contented wife instead of a crabby, suspecting female.

IT'S been a long, crooked road, but at last we've made it. OUR house is now a home. YOU helped me make this possible, and I hope that this letter will help another TV's wife.

MY enternal thanks.

THE WIFE OF A TV.

Dear Wilma:

Ithought that you would like to be one of the first to know that we at Queens Liberation Front are in the process of bringing litigation against the city of Albany and/or Albany County. OUR attorney has been in correspondence to verify that the district attorney of Albany county will enforce laws against the cross-dresser, WICH one remains to be resolved.

However we should know if it is the state loitering statute within a week or so.

Will keep you informed as the case progresses.

Sincerely

Lee G. [REDACTED]

Dear Wilma.

WE had our first meeting of TVIC., Southeast last weekend in Bessemer, Alabama. THERE were very few gals present. NEVERTHELESS, we had a great time and we hope for a better turnout next month in Atlanta --- rembering how yoy told us your group was small to begin with and gradually grew into the huge group you now have.

WOULD you be good enough ~~me~~ to include a few lines in your TVIC journal. Here is what we would like to have included.

"ATTENTION, TV'S IN THE SOUTHEAST: THE newly - formed group called TVIC., Southeast will be meeting in Atlanta the weekend of May 24th. They welcome all TV/TS's and their wives. For def time and place, write; Alice [REDACTED], POB 855, Gulf Breeze, Fla.

We thought of you when we were in Bessemer Saturday night -- knowing the gang were whooping it up in Albany the same night.

Love

Alice and Connie [REDACTED]

( ED. NOTE: Iknow that this news will be tolate for TV's to make your meeting but I do hope that they will contact you about future gatherings. There you have it yiu southern gals, drop Alice a line. )

NO matter how successful you are in life, remember that there is one circumstance more than any other that will determine the turnout at your funeral, and thats the weather.

FINANCES :

THIS month your club laid out \$140 and took in only \$129, wich means we hit the bank again this month for \$11.

OUR food layout was \$52 and we took in only \$30.

With prices as they are to-day it is impossable to put out a dinner for \$3 any more. We will have to do something about it soon.



IN the January issue of Penthouse magazine carried ~~an~~ a most interesting article on Transvestism, entitled "Queen For A Day" -- THE following is a quote from the article:  
 "Many transvestites are as devoted to their familes and the American way of sex as the judges who sentence them."

A sense of humor is what makes you laugh at something that happens to somebody else wich would have made you mad if it happened to you....



"WHY, JAMIE--YOU REALLY ARE A BOY, AFTER ALL!"

THINGS TV's DREAD THE MOST

To answer the doorbell in the belief it is a friend coming back only to meet the incredulous stare of a delivery boy or mailman while he stands there in a dress but without make up or wig.

To sit at a counter in full dress and have the waitress say, anything else, SIR?

To inquire at the lingerie department about a bra or stockings and have the saleslady say something that, to you, sounds like "is this the kind you wera?" or to run into some saleslady while you are accompanying your wife and hear the saleslady say, " Hello Mrs Smith, did you like the stockings your husband bought for you last week?"

In asking for a raise, the employee hinted that several companies were after him."What companies?" his boss asked. The man replied, "The gas company, electric company, finance company...."

NEXT GATHERING JUNE 14th.

From HOSE & HEEL

M. D. DuBois, Lt. Col. and Cheif of the Baltimore Police Dept. responded to a letter requesting information on local laws concerning the wearing of clothing of the opposite gender by stating, "I wish to inform you that there are no laws on this subject presently in force."

ALEXANDRIA MAN TAKING NEW IDENTITY AS A WOMAN

Alexandria. La. (AP) Charles williams started through the red tape of assuming the identity of a woman asking a court to change his name to Vickie Williams.

It was the first step in a compromise worked out by his attorney to keep the 34 - year - old bartender from serving a maximum jail sentence of 424 days and paying \$1,400 in fine

# MINI-SKIRTS FOR MEN?

Mini-skirts are the greatest fashion passion since the invention of the bikini. More than three million were sold in England within six months of their introduction.

But the most interesting—if not the best—is yet to come.

Mini-skirts for men are closer than you think!

So says Joe Kagan, Prime Minister Heath's haberdasher.

"Mini-skirts for men will be simple, masculine and efficient," claims Kagan. "They may seem to be far-fetched, by they'll certainly come about in the end!"

He goes on to say that trousers are "a most inefficient

garment—but a skirt, even a miniskirt, gives really good protection."

A number of top designers of the Menswear Association of Britain agree with Kagan.

They point out the Roman legionaires—often considered to be the best and most masculine warriors in history—wore a form of mini-skirt, and added that though a woman's daily wardrobe weighs only half of what a man's weighs, it protects her better from the elements.

We only wonder how long it will be before they start manufacturing men's skirts with a deep vee neck!

## Ann Landers

### Ahead of His Time?

Dear Ann Landers: A nice young man was arrested recently because he was sitting in the park, minding his own business. It so happens he was wearing women's clothing and somebody started a fight with him and he flattened the guy.

As a fashion historian I can tell you that everything women wear today was once worn by males. Even corsets. During the crusades when men donned suits of armor they had to wear heavy undergarments to protect their bodies against the chafing of the metal. Columbus wore bloomers and long stockings. George Washington wore lace blouses and carried his silk handkerchief in his sleeve. He also wore a ribbon in his hair. Men's high heels are not new. They go back to the French revolution.

Even in the bird kingdom the male's plumage is fancier than the female's. The peacock is the best example. So please, Ann, tell your readers that before they classify a person as peculiar they should stop and think that maybe he's ahead of his time. — A Vote for Fancy Dan

Dear Fancy: O.K. so that guy sitting on the park bench wearing women's clothes is ahead of his time. Until now I was under the impression that he was a little peculiar. Thanks for setting me straight — if you'll pardon the expression.

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### Remedy for Men's Being Feminized

American men are becoming "feminized," charges writer Dotson Rader in the current issue of Harper's Bazaar.

"Boys are subjected, from infancy on, to predominantly feminine influences which result in the enforcement of feminine values . . . passivity, quietness, neatness, mannerliness, obedience and the expression of aggression through verbal rather than physical devices," he says.

The solution, he suggests, is to abolish the codes, institutions and practices which lead to the frustration and feminization of young boys."

### POT USERS GET BUSTED

BOSTON—A surgeon has confirmed that men may develop enlarged breasts from smoking large quantities of marijuana.

Dr. John Harmon, chief surgical resident at New England Deaconess Hospital here, has removed excess mammary gland tissue from 16 male patients between 18 and 30 years of age, all of whom smoked marijuana at least three times a week.

The doctors say that the only way to prevent the problem from recurring is to stop smoking marijuana.

Although the condition occurs mostly in men, "If a woman smokes marijuana heavily, she might have one chance in 100 of increasing her breast size," the surgeon says. COMBINED NEWS SERVICES

### Lace Plant Trimmed

Pawtucket, R.I., June 21 (UPI)—The American Textile Co. will close its plant here June 30 because fewer women are wearing lacy undergarments.

J. Arthur Oakland, vice president of the firm which manufactured lace, said yesterday the closing was caused by the new trends in women's fashions.

He said 99% of the lace made at the plant was used as trim on women's lingerie. However, he said, most women are no longer wearing those items because of the shift in style to panty hose, hot pants, body suits and pant suits. About 140 persons will lose their jobs because of the shutdown.

### Disguised man holds up bank

BUFFALO, N.Y. (UPI) — A hold-up man wearing excessive make-up and a woman's wig escaped with an undetermined amount of money after robbing a downtown bank Tuesday.

Police said the bandit, wearing "rouge, lipstick, a long wig—very heavily made up," told a teller at the Marine Midland Bank-Western Main-High Branch to give him "all the money" as he stood with his left hand in a large purse as if he had a weapon.



Would you believe that's Rich Little (right) with his arms around Tony Curtis! The famed impressionist and Curtis do a scene from "Some Like It Hot," when Curtis served as guest host on the ABC Television Network's "The Kopykats," on "The ABC Comedy Hour."