



CHI Chapter

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CHI's JUNE MEETING

Apologies (for the second month in a row) to those of you who had trouble finding our meeting place last month. After the newsletter was mailed, we discovered that there "was no room at the Inn" for us. Since this is now the summer season, people had changed their plans and were staying at the motel longer than originally expected. This meant that the rooms we thought we had were already booked, and we had to make a last-minute change in location. A special "flyer" was sent to Chapter members just a week before the meeting, and we hope everyone that intended coming received it in time and did not go to the wrong place. Although the motel accommodations we obtained on short notice were not up to our usual standards, the thought of "any port in a storm" prevailed. We were glad that the following did not get lost, and managed to attend: Joan IL-6-C and GG Pat, Mitzi IL-8-C, Susan IL-9-C, Donna IL-11-S, Betty Ann IL-17-A, Elaine IL-22-A, and Kay IL-44-N. A special welcome back to Susan, an old member who rejoined us after an absence of 1½ years. Now that she has found her way back, we hope to see her often. Another brand-new member, "eddie IL-29-S, intended to be with us but last-minute house guests prevented her from coming. She sent a note to say that she really missed being with us, and expects to do everything possible to meet with us this month.

DREAM '78

Marilyn writes, "You'll find something that is very exciting...the pre-DREAM '78 registration. We have over 65 TV's and wives/girlfriends planning to be with us in September. That places us about 3 weeks ahead of the record pace of DREAM '76. In terms of people, DREAM '78 already is a great success!" A review of the registration list indicates that as of early June 4 TV's and 2 GG's from the Great Lakes Area are scheduled to attend. If you are thinking about going, but haven't registered, better do it now! The accommodations are filling up fast.

JOINT MEETING

On her way home from CHI's May meeting, Elaine MI-16-W found a potential location for the tentative CHI/Delta joint meeting this fall. Elaine writes: "I've found what looks like a perfect place for our joint meeting...west of Holland, near Lake Michigan. This is about 175 miles from Detroit and about 160 miles from Chicago. The accommodations ideal for our purposes would be....apartments, all in a single three-story building (one apartment per floor), located away from the main part of the motel. There is ample parking immediately adjacent. The building has a single entrance which opens into a stairwell leading to the three apartments. The living room of either the two bedroom or the three bedroom apartment would be of suitable size for the meeting room. However, for a large group, we might do well to rent the entire building. This would give us complete privacy, plenty of dressing rooms, and a total of 13 beds. Of course, those who wished could rent private rooms in the main part of the motel. From there it is only a short walk to the apartments." CHI discussed this at our June meeting, and decided that a joint meeting in November would be preferable, with October as the alternative. Elaine was contacted, and asked to make reservations. All members of the Great Lakes Area will be welcome to attend, and details will be furnished as soon as they become available.

WE GET LETTERS

"Dear Donna: I'd like to share something with you and all the girls in the Area. My GG Madge and I recently attended a stage play called "Picture of Innocence starring Robert Morley, an English actor. The play was about three Transvestites, and Morley played the part of an English Judge who was one of them. The Judge's wife knew all about him, but the wives of the other two didn't know about their husbands. The Judge and his wife arranged a meeting with the others, to promote understanding and acceptance. One of the wives was understanding, the other was a "C" wife and acted like it. The three actors projected a fine image while dressed; the play was hilarious at times, but it was accurate in its portrayal of Transvestites. A program note gave credit to the Beaumont Society of England for much of their information and guidance. If this production should play in the States, it would be a real treat (and a treatment) for everyone to see it." Laurette FCO-4-K

VACATION TIME

Due to vacations, normally each year CHI does not have a meeting in the month of August. However, at the June meeting, enough members indicated that they would be in town that month so a meeting has been tentatively scheduled. Regardless, this is the month of the year when your Editor takes her vacation, so there will be no newsletter published for the month of August. Regular members of CHI Chapter will receive a special "flyer," published about August 1st, provided a meeting is definitely set for August during our meeting this month. The next regular newsletter mailed to the Great Lakes Area will be dated "September."

CHI TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand, May 31st:	\$91.81
Meeting Fee:	+28.00
Chapter Dues:	+12.00
Donation:	+ 3.00
Meeting Room:	-42.00
Refreshments:	-13.45
Postage:	-14.83
Supplies (Envelopes & Misc.):	- 7.14
Balance on hand, June 30th:	\$57.39

THE LAW (AGAIN)

In the September, 1977, issue of the Femme Mirror it was reported that "The Illinois Court of Appeals has ruled that Section 192-8 of the Chicago Public Morals Code is not unconstitutional, resulting in the conviction of two defendants charged with violating the ordinance by 'wearing the clothing of the opposite sex with intent to conceal his or her sex.'" A survey of CHI Chapter members in February and March of this year indicated that this report was "news" to all of them, and a request was made in the March CHI Tribune that any of our readers who had any information on this item to forward details. No information was received, but Vikki IL-48-M recently sent in a clipping from her local (southern Illinois) newspaper: "A Chicago Ordinance banning men from dressing up as women was applied unconstitutionally against two transvestites who were arrested as they walked down a city street, the court ruled. The court reversed lower court convictions of Wallace Wilson and Kim Kimberley, who were fined \$100 for wearing women's clothing in a public place with intent to conceal their sex." We are glad to hear that this type of law has again been struck down, and hope that our legislators everywhere will "get the message" and eliminate this unjust and unconstitutional prohibition from the law. Thanks to Vikki for bringing it to our attention.

CHI's JULY MEETING

The next meeting of CHI Chapter will be held on the third Saturday of the month, July 15th. Details of the meeting place and time will be found on a separate sheet (Chapter members only). Regular members please return the post card enclosed with their newsletter; Associate members who may plan to attend please drop a note to Donna Martin.

Hope to see you this month!

Donna

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