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Calendar Of Events

- 03/05/88 TGIC Mate Support
- 03/12/88 TGIC Party 145 Club
- 03/17/88 TGIC Rap Group
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- 03/19/88 EON Party
- 03/25/88 TGIC Business Meeting
- 03/25/88 TGIC Party
- 03/26/88 Butterfly Rap Group
- 03/27/88 Butterfly Party
- 04/02/88 TGIC Mate Support
- 04/09/88 TGIC Party 145 Club
- 04/16/88 EON Party
- 04/21/88 TGIC Rap Group
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- 04/22/88 TGIC Business Meeting
- 04/22/88 TGIC Party
- 04/23/88 Butterfly Rap Group
- 04/24/88 Butterfly Party
- 05/07/88 TGIC Mate Support
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- 05/27/88 TGIC Party
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- 05/29/88 Butterfly Party
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HELLO AGAIN

NATIONAL NEWS

I.F.G.E Convention time what a time! Helen's, Rachel's, and my heads are still spinning from the wealth of information put forth at the many, many seminars. We, as a group of people, made a significant impact on the professional and even our own community. Christeen Jorgenson even made the statement that we've come a long way since 1956 and she feels proud to be part of our movement now into the mainstream of life. Over and over again I heard the comment, "We are people, we are significant!" That is what the convention stressed over and over-we are human beings.

Marritte Pathy Allen, Photographer at Large (not very large) is pleased to announce the coming publication of her book, title to be announced, release date to be announced. The community should be pleased with the work she has generated on this. After 10 years of work on the book it is finally ready for print. Thank you, Marriette for the book and all your work!

On the home front one of our own members our local members is trying to give something new to the community with her recently released cassette, "TV ROCK" by RACHEL C. It's really quite good and features some of our local people singing backup. Please see inclosed flyer for more information. Hurry, supplies are limited.

If a bookstore is interested in carrying the Tapestry and cannot get it through their distributor, have them contact Yvonne. Yvonne Cook, C/O IFGE, PO BOX 19, Wayland, Ma. 01778

Yvonne is also one of the nicest people I have met in a long time. Any help you can give her in this difficult task will be appreciated!

Thanks for your support!

WE MISS YOU WHERE ARE YOU

We miss all of you, we would like to hear from all the people who were unable to attend any meetings or functions for awhile: WE MISS YOU!

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HI Girls. It's Rachel C. and I'm writing my first ever article for our newsletter. I'm using my brand new typewriter and my nails are longer than usual, if you know what I mean. Every time I hit the "e" the tip of my nail also catches the "4". Nobody said being beautiful was easy.

Anyway, I wanted to tell you a little about the IFGE Convention in Chicago. I personally had a very wonderful time, and I have a definite feeling that everyone who attended left with more than they arrived with. The sense of community was undeniable, yet each individual had a special story to tell.

I arrived on Thursday, flying out as male. I immediately spotted a few girls in the lobby of the hotel and felt a twinge of excitement. I tried not to stare, but I think we're always curious about each other's look. By the end of the weekend, to see people not dressed seemed unusual. Reality is truly very flexible.

The weekend's first highlight for me, was Mariette's workshop utilizing slides of several girls, including a series of our own lovely Ren'ee and Kevin (Karyn). The audience was asked to respond by saying what they saw revealed in the pictures. Some of the comments were very perceptive. After each series, the subject gave their comments. Photography can be an excellent tool in learning to understand ourselves and in developing our image. Unfortunately, my belt broke as I was sitting, and when I stepped to the mike I looked like a large red tent!

Later that evening I went on a bus tour of Chicago and sat next to a friendly, bespectacled older gentleman. He turned out to be Dr. Richard Doctor (affectionately known as "Doctor Doctor"), who conducted two workshops on an evolutionary theory of Transgenderism. An extremely interesting and intelligent man- the Los Angeles group is very lucky to have him as a resource. I had several discussions with Dr. Doctor. I tried to get him to consider the idea that we transgenderists might be people of the future. That by dealing directly with parts of ourselves that most people work so hard to repress, we were actually being more complete, sane humans. As "improved" humans we represent the wave of the next wave of the future. Like most improvements, it takes a while to catch on. A sort of evolutionary theory of my own.

CLUB NEWS

There isnt any terribly important news to report from our club. We have been able to keep our head above water and make a signifigant impact in the community. Looking down the road, we see that we have to make our own niche in the world. What I want to say by that is that we have to try to make a place, a spot, for us so our brothers and sisters will not have to suffer as we did. Without Christeen Jorgenson to pave the road for us we would not be where we are today and without us and our friends we would not have any place to go.

See you at the loft, in Albany.

The Rap Group will be by appointment only from now on. If you wish to organize a rap group you will have to notify us one week in advance. We will schedule it on the regular rap group night, but we need at least two other members. I hope this does not hinder anyone.

Spring! Spring is only around the corner. THANK GOD. The new pastel colors are simply marvellous- so bright and cheery. Something to bring us out of the dull winter blues. It will cost you very little to dress up your dull last year's wardrobe with the bright colors of a blouse or skirt of this year's fashion. See you in the Mall.

MATE SUPPORT GROUP!

HI! Just letting everyone know we are still here, We are here to help! If you have a question, a problem with your feelings, if you just found out your mate is a crossdresser we have experience to offer and understanding. Anything we may be able to help with, please call. We know from experience there are times when you need someone to talk to.

On another note spring is just around the corner, lets come up with an activity that we can all get together and do. Any suggestions?

Remember call us!

Love Karyn and Tami!

I don't mean to give you the impression that the Convention was all theory and no fun. If anything, there was too much fun for this girl. I went out dancing, went out shopping, rented a car and drove around Chicago. Friday night I went to the female impersonator

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show at the Baton Club. I could not believe the bodies on these woman! Absolutely amazing! Their show was polished and professional and the largely heterosexual audience loved them. I guess if you look good enough, it's easier for the average person to accept.

Saturday night was also the Convention Banquet at which Christine Jorgenson was the guest of honor. She talked to all of us (about 150 of us were there) as if we were sitting with her in her living room. She made us feel very much at home. The Banquet was probably the best I have ever been to, no matter how I was dressed.

I met so many people and listened to so many stories, I could probably write a book. I know it sounds trite, but each person was beautiful in their own way. I distributed several copies of my tape "TV ROCK" and got some positive feedback. Maybe it will become an underground hit??? See the enclosed flyer for more info.

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*      HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU
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*      is EVE, EVE, EVE of the 145
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*      ***THE 145 CLUB***
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*      145 Club. See it March 13th
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*      at 5,8 and 10 pm. Dont miss
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*      it! The shows have been great.
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*      If thats not enough, March 20th
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*      at the 145 Club see a Lingerie
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*      Fashion show with the MS. Black
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*      Velvet look-alike contest. Join
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*      the fun and festivities!
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I've got nothing but the highest praise for the persons responsible for organizing the Convention. They did an excellent job; I wouldn't dream of missing the next one in San Francisco.

Monday I flew back as Rachel - a personal first - with my friend Helen. It took quite a lot of convincing on Helen's part to get me to fly dressed, but the trip was largely uneventful. I even fell asleep on the plane! I've been back for a little more than a week and the good feeling has stayed with me. I feel better about myself and much more positive about the future, both for myself and for the community.

Love to you all. See you soon, I hope.

Rachel

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proof is in the pudding. I just walked in and asked the salesgirl for a pair of black patent high heels in size 12ww. She came back with a couple of pair. Without asking who they were for she told me to sit down to try them on. She fitted me right out in the open as if she did it every day. The salesgirl had me walk in them and then asked how they fit. I said, "Fine, but how did you know they were for me?". She told me that she had already sold two pair to men that day. She said she assumed that's what I wanted as soon as I walked into the store. She said, "you guys are all chickens, the only time most of you have the guts to come in here is around Halloween. We always stock up at this time of year as our sales about double". She then rang up my purchase and told me to enjoy the shoes and not to wait

another year before coming by again. My next stop was a drug store to pick up false eye lashes and nail tips. The teenage cashier giggled knowingly as I paid for the items. They always know, I just didn't care anymore.

The anticipation was just too much for me. I figured that Saturday would never arrive. Well, sooner than expected it did. The big day had finally gotten here. Today would be wonderful.

I arrived at the motel about 12:00 noon, after getting all my things together. That was a project in and of itself since everything had to be retrieved from various hiding places and loaded into my car. I had planned to take a short nap when I arrived because I figured that this trip might very well turn into an all-nighter. No Way. I was just too excited by what I would be doing the rest of the day.

I had been suppressing my desires for many weeks, having missed most of the group's dress up meetings due to a heavy work schedule. In any event, as soon as I had unpacked my things, I had to try on my outfit and new shoes. They both fit great, as if they were custom made for me.

Now it was time to get ready because I was too excited to wait. I drew a nice hot bath and settled down into it. I started to shave my chest, arms and legs. When I was through my body was as smooth as could be. Next on my list was to trim my eyebrows. I shaped them to a slightly feminine shape (I still had to go to work on Monday). After that I shaved my face twice and

then splashed the astringent. After the stinging stopped, I applied moisturizer to my entire face. While that was working itself into my skin I started to work on the false eyelashes. Never having used them before, they proved to be a challenge. I eventually got them on and they looked great. Next, while my fingers were still unencumbered with my new nails, I applied the beard cover that I had recently got at a transvestite specialty store. As I filled in my beard area my face began to take on an even more feminine appearance.

I then started to work on my nails. They were not the press on but glue on nail tips. It took a little time to get them just right but they looked beautiful after I had applied three coats of bright red polish.

One of the hardest things I've found is trying to make breasts and cleavage that looks authentic and is comfortable. I finally broke down and bought a pair of silicone inserts and now those problems are over. Now with my breasts in place, I checked in the mirror for proper hang and cleavage. All was in top form. Next came the girdle. There is nothing like a good girdle to transform a semi-flabby male beer belly into an almost shapely feminine waistline. Just suck in and snap it on. The next trick is to hold your breath the next six to ten hours. Girdles are great for posture problems.

Next came make-up. This time it had to be perfect. I was intent on doing it just right. I applied a cream foundation over the beard cover. While it set, I worked on my eyes. I applied a light blue eye shadow over the lids and below the brows. I outlined the creases with navy blue eyeshadow. I then blended them together and added some highlights with even lighter blue pencil. With black eyeliner I then lined my upper and lower lids. Lastly I applied several coats of black mascara to my lashes. You can never use too much of that. The blush for my cheeks was next and was followed by lining my lips in red and applying red lipstick which matched my nails.

Now it was time to dress. First came the gaff. This makes it possible to completely hide the penis. Then came the silk panties. I then put on a pair of nude support tights to smooth and shape my legs. Over the tights I put on a pair of black lace pantyhose. Next came my black leotard, short black satin

skirt, three inch black patent high heels, a white lace apron, cuffs, and collar, and finally my beautiful long blonde wig.

Once the wig was on I could only gasp with delight as the girl of my dreams was staring at me from the mirror. I hoped it would last forever. I then attached the lace maid's cap to my wig.

The make-up, the clothes, the wig; I looked authentic, I was ready to venture out on my own...

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