### State University of New York College at Buffalo - Buffalo State University

## Digital Commons at Buffalo State

**Buffalo Belles Newsletters** 

Madeline Davis Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Archives of Western New York

7-1996

**July 1996** 

**Buffalo Belles** 

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.buffalostate.edu/buffalobelles

Part of the Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Commons, History Commons, and the Museum Studies Commons

#### **Recommended Citation**

Buffalo Belles, "July 1996" (1996). *Buffalo Belles Newsletters*. 37. https://digitalcommons.buffalostate.edu/buffalobelles/37

This Book is brought to you for free and open access by the Madeline Davis Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Archives of Western New York at Digital Commons at Buffalo State. It has been accepted for inclusion in Buffalo Belles Newsletters by an authorized administrator of Digital Commons at Buffalo State. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@buffalostate.edu.



## BUFFALO BELLES

Address Correspondence To Buffalo Belles P.O. Box 1701 Anherst, N.Y. 14226-1701 HOTLINE: (716) 643-2626 NU PHI CHI

JULY ,1996

SISTERS IN CHARGE:

CINDY JEAN L. KATHY



### Dear Sisters,

The June meeting was held on a lovely evening. Unfortunately we were forced to use our alternative meeting room do to a dinner going on in our regular room. This may have held back our easy access to the grounds. But I don't think many were thinking as



much about the outside when indoors was the opportunity for the girls to try on Collean's absolutely fabulous wedding dress!! Hopefully we will have some pictures in this newsletter or the next of the stunning brides.

This was an unexpected treat for us.

Many of those attending were

ecstatic at this opportunity to be a bride. Many thanks Collean!

We had several topics of interest discussed in the meeting part.

But we must first give a warm welcome to Jerri S. who just joined and

attended her first meeting. I'm sure we will be seeing a lot of her at the coming meetings and events. We also have added four new sisters in the last month. A big welcome to Angella, Rachell, Robin, . SaJly

to our sorority. Hope to see their faces at a meeting soon. That brings us up to 37 members 25 full and 12 associates.

As usual, we had our pizza and snacks. A good meeting was held and before to soon, it was time to go off into the good night.

### MEETING REPORT/WHAT'S GOING ON

COUPLES DINNER MEETING The second Saturday of September has tentatively set as the next meeting for wives and husband or SO's as defined by the group. Non-dressed affair at a local restaurant. This event is much more important to helping reach an accord with your spouse than the first night of the bowling league, or a keg is coming due for tapping, or some preseason game or whatever is on the tube.

Contact Patti either directly or through the hotline to make your commitment. This is what our group is really about. Support for the hetro~sexual crossdresser. And their partners and family. This is your chance to make things better in your most important relationship. Those excuses you can come up with for not doing it are bogus.

NIAGARA FALLS OUTING: The date is June 22. As mentioned in last months newsletter. Contact Janice to make your reservation either directly or through the hotline. This is a dressed affair and reservations must be made within a week prior. No 'showups' tolerated. Chance to meet some new sisters from other areas, that will be attending.

MISS BUFFALO CRUISE: The date for this annual outing by the Imperial Court of Buffalo is July 21. Board at 6:30, depart at & PM. Cost is \$15.00. Your chance to be Cathy Lee on a Carnival Cruise. Sounds like a lot of fun. Several of the girls have already said they are going. Tickets available at the Stage Door or

other vendors 11m sure, or call the hotline(again).

1

# BRIDES

LIBRARIAN: Patti has volunteered to be our lady of the stacks. Ladies, please return items that you have out!! Much seems to missing. We are still looking for a good storage cabinet for our

Can anybody help us out??

Patti.. flanks for your help. It should be noted, that she is going to be really good. Patti was seen Sshhing' the crickets on her way out to her car, and they did!!

items.

It was decided to DISCUSSION SESSIONS: try to revive an \*idea we had in the past. Patti has agreed to lead a discussion of topic after our business meeting. We need you to write or call in any topics you'd like brought up. Whether about appearance, relationships, how far to go, whatever. The time planned is for a half hour each month. So, what's your problem??

NAME BADGES: If you are regularly attending the meetings, it would be nice if you would wear your name badge. With all the new girls we are attracting to our sisterhood, don't count on everyone knows you. We've had the order blank a few times in the past. Pick your color, send in your ten dollars or go to Kinko's and get it on your own (and save 28cents).



AUGUST PICNIC MEETING: Our annual picnic at the meeting site will be held. This have often bean a meeting in the past in which wives attended. Let's make a special effort for the appearance of these special

ladies. Patti is in charge this year. We'll have final

details in next months newsletter as what to bring etc. We MAY change the date due to two weddings scheduled for our regular date. Be ready to be flexible!! You Flyer, you.

THANK YOU Robin!! The box of clothes at the meeting, was sent to us as a little fund raiser for our group. Just about all found new closets to reside in. As a few dollars were given for each a little bonus for our treasury ensued.

This brought up a need for a tag sale once more. With so many new girls with us, it is time once more to clean out those dressers. But not till fall at this point.

NEW SNACK LADY: Camille H. has volunteered to be our new gal! in charge of the chips & coke & coffee. Thank you for stepping forward and relieving Jean of this task she has performed since almost the first meeting we ever held! Even on the few meetings she ever missed. Jean arranged for the snacks to be there And with her svelte figure, it is obvious that she wasn't doing this for herself!

ACTIVITIES PLANNER NEEDED: Apply here. Please. Plenty of ideas are ready, just need~someone to make the calls, etc. to set up meetings theme, attraction, activity etc.



**DENISE** 



**JEAN** 



**JERRI** 









# BE ALL ADVENTURE



Denice and I (Jean) have planned to go to the BE ALL in Michigan for quite a few weeks. The day finally came to load the van. Denice has been to

about four other Be All's, this being my first, naturally she has experience in packing fem clothes for a five day trip. With that said the actual inventory is: Jean packed two suit cases. One large and one medium size. Two full garment bags with about six complete outfits in each. Raincoat thrown over my arms and one trimmed down set of golf clubs.

Denice had three large suit cases, three full garment bags, one large cardboard box and many small plastic bags with things in them. Of course one set of golf clubs. As you can see, even with experience, girls will bring everything they own, just in case.

We drove up by the way of Canada so we decided to go as our male selves as to not to ruin our trip with a confrontation right off the start. It didn't occur to us until we were half way there that we had only brought one set of male clothes, the set we were wearing. We were now committed to be the best girls we knew how to be.

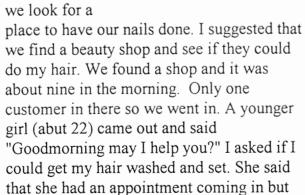
The first day we needed to stay at a Hotel about a half an hour from the BE ALL because they were full. We arrived about 3:30 or 4:00. We now had to get cleaned up and dressed to get something to eat. The real challenge for me was I had just started to grow my hair longer and learning to style it in a presentable manner. All Denice had to do was throw on a wig. We must have done

a good job because we went to Bennigans for dinner without incident. I was kind of concerned because it was around 7:30 and some of the happy hour people were still there. And if anyone would be critical about us it would be a "Happy" patron. No one seemed to take notice of us or they didn't care we were there. After dinner we went to the movies. Not what I expected. It was a huge movie house with people roaming around all over the place. At Denice's suggestion we saw Mission Impossible. Ho Hum not for me. But being out was a great feeling.

In the morning we went to the hotel lobby for our complementary breakfast. We were greeted with " Good Morning Ladies" did you enjoy your stay with us? Can I get you some more coffee? Thank you Ladies enjoy your day" Wow! What a high. We did

breakfast and still didn't know if anyone made us.

We had time to kill and Denice suggested that we look for a



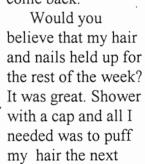
she'll check the other operators. She went to

the back room. I thought. Great she going to

call the cops! An older woman came out - (the can. mom type) and asked what she could do for us. I told her that I wanted a wash and a set. She said sure come on over here. Denice told her she would wait because she didn't need to have to what to wear. No more trying on five outfits her hair done. After about an hour and half of work and a lot of small talk she was finally done. Wow did it look great. She thanked us and said the next time we were in town be sure used male clothes. to stop in.

We then went to have our nails done. It's amazed us how well they can do your nails and not one flaw in them. Once again we were overly thanked for our business and be sure to

come back.



morning. I've known my male hair to look a lot worse in the morning. Now to the Mall, a huge mall, with a lot of people. We shopped until we were exhausted. Still no one noticed or cared.

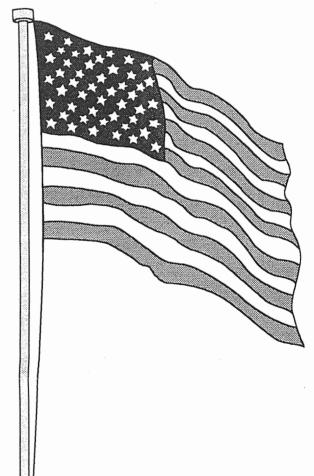
Only when we got to the Be All hotel that we were made as crossdressers that I could tell. Of course they were expecting us. Or is it the world is more liberal now and truly allows you to be all you want to be.

We still after all this needed to live as girls for the rest of the week. It was great. It was so natural after the first day, we never once felt uncomfortable the whole week.

Without going into deep details of the Be All and spoil the events for your future trip. If you ever get the chance to go. I will tell you this. You will see that the price is well worth it. The food is more than anyone could want, ( a guy or a girl). The entertainment was splendid. And you meet the nicest people in the world. So next year go to the Be All if you

It was a real let down when it was all over. No more pampering ourselves. No more primping in the mirror. No more indecisions as to see which one is right. Yes it is harder being a girl, but oh so much more fun.

It was a somber, long trip home in our







## A NOTE FROM KELLY

(Kelly is one of our cherished members who moved out of our area but maintains her membership and friendship)

May 16, 1996

Dear Sisters.

Just a note to let everyone who still may be interested that I'm alive and doing fine! A lot of time has past since our last get together (surgery party @the Stage Door). I'm still receiving the newsletter at my new address-P.O. has bean forwarding it.

As if going full time and having S.R.S. within 15 months isn't enough of a shock for anyone, I've also quite my old career (automotive) and gone back to school. I'm getting to old for this!

I'm working as a patient care assistant in surgery at a hospital in Phoenix and going to school full time to become a Certified Surgical Tech. This has always been one of those "if I only could do something else with my life" kind of dreams. We all know about those! Everything's going fine with school and work.

No major love interests yet, just a few dates here and there. Don't have a lot of extra time to go out and meet guys. Late last year I moved in with a really good friend of mine. She's Pre-Op, surgery in fall with Menard. Expenses are tight with school and the lower paying job. She's so nice and we have managed to co-habitate without killing one another.

Not much else to report. The weather has bean record breaking hot so far this spring-110° last week! I can't wait for summer.

Please change my address for the newsletter if I have any more coming. Please stay in touch and let everybody know I said hi and you're always in my thoughts & prayers.

Kelly

# GIRLS ON THE MOVE

July 3 - 7 Transgender 96 Houston, Texas (713) 777-0909

TILY 13 BUFFALO BELLES REGULAR MEETING.

July 21 Miss Buffalo Cruise with the Imperial Court

JULY 24-28 Spice Convention is for genetic females in committed relationships with heterosexual crossdressers. Philadelphia

AUGUST 3?? Buffalo Belles third annual picnic. Details/date next month.

SEPTEMBER 7 Belles meeting

SEPTEMBER 14? Couples dinner out

October 5 Belles Meeting

Oct. 20-27 Fantasia Fair Provincetown

OCT. 31 Hallowean night.

NOVEMBER 2 Belle&Meeting

NOVEMBER 22-24 Riverside Weekend-Shelia Kirk attending. Don't be late, to get in your reservations when they are available.

If you need more information call our Hotline and ask Jean to get it out to you.



LISTEN BUSTER, I KNOW MY NAME IS KATHY -BUT I'M A CROSSDRESSER; A MEMBER OF THE BUFFALO BELLES AND I CAN USE THE MENS ROOM IF I WANT!



SON, JUST BECAUSE YOU DRESS LIKE A WOMAN DOESN'T MEAN THAT YOU HAVE TO DRIVE LIKE ONE.

### NAME TAGS:

There was discussion at the April meeting concerning name tags for the Buffalo Belles members. It was tentatively decided to order one but to pattern the type after the tag I received by joining Xpressions (see example). The cost of the tag (which is a heavy duty metal one) will be \$5.50 with a additional \$3.50 for a magnetic backing to avoid the use of pins. Colors and writing will be decided with the group name being an option. The writing style can be mixed with any of the pin colors although the writing colors are preset with the pin color. If you have a preference that the Belles should decide upon please let me know. If you would like to order just one

send in your name, if you wish the name Buffalo Belles to be included, and a \$5.00 deposit, remaining will be due upon receiving the pin.

Writing	g Style	color:	Pin	Writing
Block		Burgundy		White
Conten	прогагу	Silver		Black
Old En	glish	Lt Gray		Blue
Script		Lavender Blue		Green
Centur	у	Pink		Tope
Advent	Grade	Gold		Black
Cara cara a service de				

