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"Romeo & Juliet Theme"...Henry Mancini Orchestra

"GAY ROYALTY" OUT!...and ABOUT - Pictured at THE COPACABANA BALL are (from left to right): LOG CABIN CLUB Board of Directors Member PAUL A. LUCRE; Imperial Queen ALLYSON ANN ALLANTE, Pres. of the IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NY (& LI); "Mister" PAT of LESBIANS UNITED ("L.U."); and Empress-elect BILLIE ANN MILLER of IMP. CT. Classy and fun-filled events like this make you really "PROUD".

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I.Q.N.Y. ★ *Hi-Lites from meeting*
Meeting
minutes of: 1st Friday, Dec. 3, '93

Social & Business Meeting royally called to order by her Imperial Highness, Queen ALLYSON ANN ALLANTE @ 8:08 p.m. un-sharp!

It was imperial to see several inactive members return to the real scene and we welcomed some new members, friends and supporters.

Weatherwise, it was freezingly cold outside but inside it was summer and in our imperial hearts it was spring. Now, getting back to what was Fall...

OLD BUSINESS: (transacted after reading/acceptance of secretarial minutes)

- * B.A.R.N.Y. COPACABANA BALL (the 13th annual) was royally attended by an Imperial QUEENS contingency, headed by Queen ALLYSON & King FARRELL A. Member PAUL LUCRE described the entire event in one great word: splashy! Mamsell MOLLY A. characterized Queen AAA in two words: grandly Imperial! Plus, we have two dozen photos to prove it! PRIVATE LIVES magazine printed a photo of Queen ALLYSON & Madame MOLLY with GEORGE SARDI at this event in front of the legendary "Copa girl" pictorial logo.

* PUBLIC OFFICIALS *'Grazin' In The Grass'....Friends of Distinction*

1. Mayor-elect RUDOLPH W. GIULIANI's transition team is already far more efficient than his predecessor's paid and widely inefficient staff. It is appropriate that the I.Q.N.Y. have formal letters of support, appreciation and, at least, acknowledgment and it is even nicer when we receive such without even having to ask. "Well....HELLO, RUDY!"
2. NYC Councilmember TOM DUANE's Office, though all pleasant, still have a problem with cornering Mr. DUANE to keep his face-to-face promise to take care of "the letter to the IMPERIAL QUEENS". Our members are especially sensed on this publicly-elected official insofar as more of our members live in his NYC Council District than in any C.D. Members demanded that this type of neglect by public officials who "play politics" at the whim of whoever poisoned them must stop - now!
3. Nassau County Executive THOMAS S. GULOTTA, in contrast to the above, bestowed a beautiful, impressive, regally-bound proclamation in A-1 recognition of the IMPERIAL QUEENS for our positive, volunteer work and especially for our time and talents at events in LI (besides NYC) relating to fund-raisers for victims of the A.I.D.S. War.
4. Soon-to-be NYC Mayor Ex-Officio, Mr. DINKINS should slowly realize that arrogant, unfair and ignorant of Gay facts and history officials, such as his nasty "Gay Liaison" of 5 months ("M.R.") not only hurt Mr. DINKINS' chances of re-election but hurts the Gay community-at-large.

NEW BUSINESS: (remember, these are just the hi-lites and non-confidential)

- * I.Q.N.Y. DOCU-MEN-TARY - An independent documentary film producer has "in the works" a planned history and interview of our organization, its purposes, its members, its involvements, its officials, etc. Imperial!

IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NY (& LI) "Meeting Minutes" of Dec. 03, 1993 (cnt'd)

- * G.L.A.D.D./USA - Their new National Chapter Coordinator is now located in Manhattan. See DONNA RED WING's letter in this issue (page 4). We royally roll out the imperial red carpet for any leader, friend or organization head who is helping to fight "defamation of Gays".
- * IMPERIAL QUEENS "FUN & FUND RAISER" - An 'ad hoc' committee shall be royally appointed with the full responsibility of seeing through this important financial/promotional project from "soup-to-nuts". Members pointed out that no has has to wait to make a donation or charitable contribution to I.O.N.Y. as we can understandably use revenue right now to maintain the needed funds to secure our work. Please make any check or money order payable to: IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NY
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- * HERITAGE OF PRIDE (H.O.P.) has called regarding our upcoming involvement with the GAY PRIDE MARCH on the U.N. Our members unanimously agree that there should not be a full elimination of classic cars, floats and all other vehicles as that will strip our "Parade" of a lot of its character, culture and history. We know that if some "other" organization or agency attempted doing this to us we would never tolerate it. Please call the STONEWALL 25 COMMITTEE at THE GAY CENTER to express your opinion in support of our "Full Parade Resolution". So, it will make the March/Parade longer. So what! WE deserve it.
- * N. Y. THEATRE PROJECT - A well-founded theatrical company plans a big production in celebration of the official 25 years of Gay Freedom and they are basing one of the main characters on the life of a royal jewel, our own Imperial Queen ALLYSON ALLANTE. So, "fasten your seat belts", it's going to be a fun 'n' frantic ride through Gay his/herstory.
- * GAY CABLE T.V. - The producer of a local Gay T.V. (meaning "television") has spoken with Queen BROOKE LYNN regarding a segment on the IMPERIAL QUEENS. We will cover everything from STONEWALL to make-up to politics and back again. Watch for more on this subject.
- * *"THE SONGS OF THE STONEWALL" - The final, type-set and copyrighted copy of this incredibly historic and cultural list of songs popular at THEE STONEWALL (yes, that was "thee", get it?) was brought to our meeting by our "IMPERIALLY YOURS" creator, author, compiler and avid publisher, WILLIAMSON HENDERSON. See this issue, page 5.
- * GAY GAMES IV - Not only is our own King FARRELL ARMSTRONG a confirmed athletic entrant in this super event coming in June but they have diligently contacted I.O.N.Y. on several occasions specifically to orient and detail our participation in the GAY GAMES event. We will be meeting with their officials/coordinators in the near future. GAY GAMES IV needs volunteers and I.O.N.Y. will help. See page 7.

UP-COMING EVENTS: *“(We’ve Got) Honey Love”....Martha Reeves*

- ***** IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NY (& LI) ANNUAL X-MASTYME HOLIDAY DINNER & PARTY
on Sunday, December 26th, the evening after Christmas, at 6:00 p.m.
at THE TOWNHOUSE RESTAURANT. Since many (if not most) members will
be out-of-town that holiday weekend, it makes it that much more
special for those who are not. Call Queen FRAN SANCISCO for "411".

Cora

Spondents....

L.Q.N.Y.'S : "LETTER-OF-THE-MONTH"

*(Winner Gets to Lick Our Stamps & Seal Our Flaps
except Public Officials ----- They Get our Votes)*

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01 December 1993

The Imperial Queens of New York



Manhattan, NY 10011

Dear Friends:

I just got your wonderful newsletter. Thank you so much. As you know, I'm the new kid on the block and your newsletter was like a 'welcome wagon'.

I do hope that we have an opportunity to meet and work together.

Again, thank you for your welcome newsletter.

For Love and For Justice,

Donna Red Wing
National Chapter Coordinator

~Crystal Blue Persuasion.....Tommy James & The Shondells~

"You Came, You Saw, You Conquered"....Ronnie Spector & The Ronettes

" Well....
Hello,
Rudy"

The "New"
New York City
Mayor
Rudolph
Giuliani
- - an A-1
favorite of
the Imperial
Queens



"MAYORAL ROYALTY" - The "royal" one is centerpiece RUDOLPH W. GIULIANI, the new Mayor of the City of New York, with his increasingly familiar, BIG SMILE. To Mr. GIULIANI's left (no pun intended) is ABNER A. MASON, Pres. of the NATIONAL LOG CABIN FEDERATION and to the Mayor-elect's right (pun intended) is WILLIAMSON HENDERSON of GAYS & LESBIANS FOR GIULIANI.

Imperial [☆]Queens of NEW YORK "SONGS OF THE STONEWALL"[©] -- JUNE 1969

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• No Matter What Sign You Are

b/w The Young Folks....Diana Ross & The Supremes (Mary & Cindy)

• More Today Than Yesterday....Spiral Staircase

• Stand! b/w I Want To Take You Higher....Sly & The Family Stone

• Aquarius/Let The Sunshine In....Marilyn McCoo & The Fifth Dimension

• My Way....Frank Sinatra

• It's Your Thing b/w I Turned You On.....Isley Brothers

• Before The Parade Passes By (from "Hello Dolly")....Barbra Streisand

• Don't Let The Joneses Get You Down....The Temptations

• The More I See You (1966, re-released 1969)....Chris Montez

Permission required/credit "Stonewall Vet" Williamson Henderson for record compilation.

"THE SONGS OF THE STONEWALL" is a unique and first-ever listing of the songs actually played at THE STONEWALL. The songs themselves were instrumental as the backdrop of the actual liberation events. More to follow in next I.Q.N.Y.

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"LETTERS TO THE EDITOR"

THE VILLAGE VOICE

36 Cooper Square

Manhattan, NY

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The Village Voice

27 Dec. 1993

**The Windmills of Your Mind?...Dusty Springfield*

RE: "THE (REPUBLICAN) QUEERS IN THE STREET"
by RICHARD GOLDSTEIN

Dear VILLAGE VOICE:

Imperially insulted are we that "royal ass" RICHARD (aka "RICHARDA") GOLDSTEIN omitted the IMPERIAL QUEENS (not Queers) OF NY from his "Gay Republican hit list" of Gay clubs and Gay citizens who gaily, rightfully, mindfully and victoriously supported, campaigned for and helped to elect an expansive, open-minded, even-handed and truly competent Mayor of New York City, RUDOLPH W. GIULIANI.

Not being included on this Gay "hit list" of RICHARDA's is like being omitted from "Mr. BLACKWELL's Worst Dressed List" (typically the best and certainly the Gay favorites are on it) or "Mr. NIXON's Enemies List" (mostly all supporters of the Gay community).

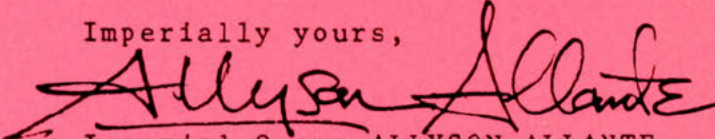
Further, it shows how RICHARDA (as we like to call "her") failed to do his Gay homework and how ignorant he is of real NYC Gay life.

Mr. GOLDSTEIN, like most of his brain-washed, stick-in-the-mud and unfair compadres, e.g., arrogant, "progressive" politicians and the arrogant attorney and/or accountant Gay "leaders" (ahem!) still -- even after the election results -- think that the Gay vote is to be assumed Democrat and said voters are to tolerate whatever they feel like dishing out or don't dish out.

That, in and of itself, is one of the multitude of reasons why the DINKINS Administration as a whole lost. Also, DINKY & CLAN had the support of BILLARY & HILLARY whereas RUDY & DONNA had the support of THE IMPERIAL QUEENS & the LOG CABIN CLUB. Allllright!

Yes, RICHARDA, we do not all march to the lock-step beat of the same drum. Gays are slowly wising-up "BEFORE THE PARADE (really) PASSES BY". With that in mind, let's hear it: "Well...HELLO, RUDY".

Imperially yours,


Imperial Queen ALLYSON ALLANTE



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G A Y G A M E S I V



Unity '94

December 7, 1993

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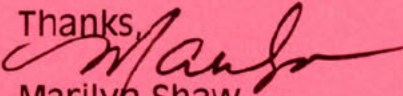
Your Highness:

The Imperial Queens of New York, established in 1969 have proven they are community involved and supportive of the day to day happenings in the Gay and Lesbian Community. Gay Men and Lesbians can be proud of the efforts of the Imperial Queens.

In futherance of your good works, we would like to request you bestow upon us your presence at Unity '94, Gay Games IV and Cultural Festival. The myriad volunteer tasks are included in our attached flyer and Volunteer Newsletter, but that's not all. We need volunteers that are available during the day to help with data entry, during the evening to assist in spreading the word throughout the community by tabling, (flyer, info distribution,) joining our speakers bureau, and other interesting assignments.

The week of "The Games" we need 'round the clock coverage at our Unity Center, volunteers to assist in distribution of credentials, volunteers to help house the athletes, volunteers to help in every single sports venue (there are 31 of them), volunteers to assist with the Cultural Festival and on and on. We need a total of 7,000 volunteers during the week of the event, and as many as we can interest now.

We hope you and your Royal Court are interested. Volunteer Services would like to do a presentation for your members in the near future. Please call us at 212 727 6048 and let us know a good time for you.

Thanks,

Marilyn Shaw

Director of Volunteers, GGIV

"Put A Little Love In Your Heart?...Jackie deShannon

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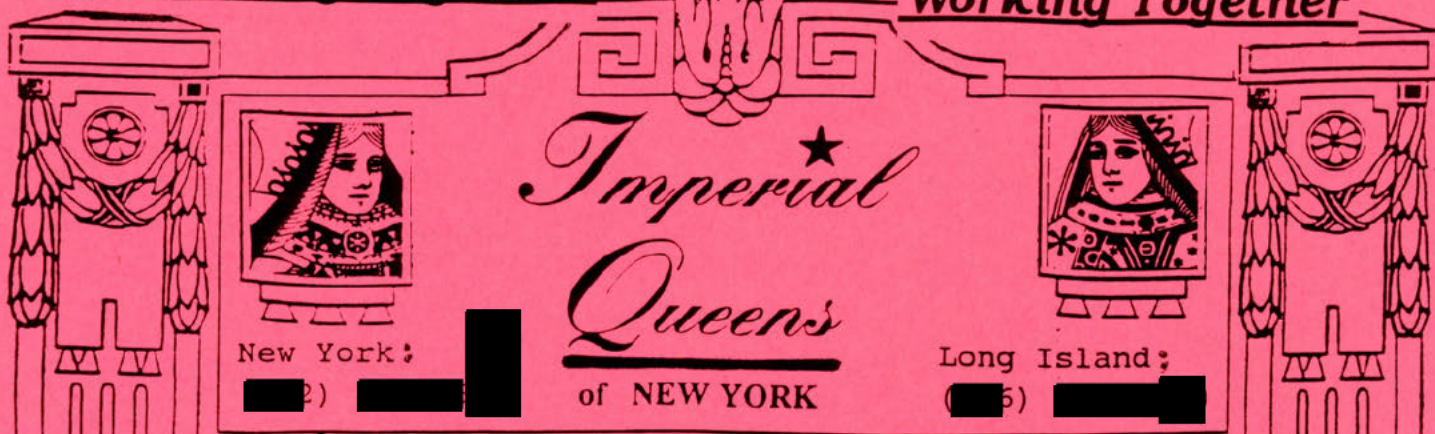
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■ SPECIAL HOLIDAYS BLOCKED

Please Attend the Next
Social and Business
Meeting
of

★ I. Q. N. Y.

on

Friday, Jan. 7th
@ 8:00 p.m. sharp

at

The G.&L. Community Center
208 West 13 St.