

Cross-Port Inner View

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NEXT MEETING March 20 at 6:30
Fun Fashions at 7:30

Cross-Port Basics

Fourteen girls attended the February meeting. Coming from Bay Village & Dayton OH, Indianapolis & Seymour IN, Lexington & Louisville KY, and our regulars from the Greater Cincy area. New were Dolores, Julia, and Cheryl with a special guest appearance by Jennifer. We've heard about her but didn't think we'd ever meet her. Thanks to everyone that took the time to come.

We started early by watching the tape of Night Talk which Linda, Sharon, myself and my spouse appeared on. The show we felt went very well and we enjoyed it a lot. The first three mentioned could have gabbed on all night. We thank Dick Wolfsie for inviting us to talk about something that means so much to us. We have received about 10 letters from girls that saw the show and want information about Cross-Port.

We will be changing the starting time of the meetings beginning in April to 7:30. Since most people that dress are coming that way and almost no one is dressing here, the added time will help me to get ready. For March you need to get here by 7:30. The Fun Fashions show will start at 7:30 and good girls don't come late to Fashion Shows. If we have a poor turn out, it will be a COLD DAY in you know where, before we schedule anyone else to come and talk to the group. If you get my drift.

As of January we officially began our screenings before people can attend a meeting. This is not meant to keep people out as much as to insure the security of all of you and of my home. It also helps new people feel more comfortable coming to their first meeting if they have already met some of the people. We have girls in different areas that will help out so people don't have to drive to Cincy for the screenings.

The meeting broke up around 11:00 pm and people headed for "The Subway".



There is no law that permits us the right to cross-dress. Being an ex-police chief, with law books in hand, I will point out the pros & cons of our concern. Since my training, expertise and law books are for Ohio, the information is good only in Ohio.

There is no constitutional right enabling us to cross-dress in public. There are some vague laws and statues still on the books of some of the cities and municipalities through out the state, many of which are usually over looked but which could be enforced if the need arose. Since cross-dressing, in itself, is not illegal in the state of Ohio the problems arise from the actions of the cross-dresser.

Some of the No-Nos are:

- 1) One sex using the restrooms and dressing facilities of the other sex. Don't use the women's restrooms in public places. There are laws against it.
- 2) Disorderly Conduct - Chapter 2917. 11 of The Ohio Revised code.
 - A) No person shall recklessly cause inconvenience, or alarm to another, by doing any of the following:
 1. Engage in fighting, violent or turbulent behavior
 - 2) Make unreasonable noise, offensive utterance, gesture, or abusive language.
 - 3) Insult, taunting, or challenging, or conduct which is likely to produce a violent response.
 - 4) Hindering the movement of persons.
 - 5) Creating a condition which is physically offensive to persons.
 - B) No person while voluntarily intoxicated shall do either of the following:
 - 1) In a public place or in the presence of two or more persons, engage in conduct likely to be offensive
 - 2) Or to cause inconvenience, annoyance or alarm to persons of ordinary sensibilities.

Disorderly Conduct is a misdemeanor of the 4th degree with penalties of up to 30 Days in jail and up to \$250 fine or both.

As you can see under sections A5 and B1 - Sober or Drunk you could be arrested and jailed if someone in your persence is offended by your dressing.

If you should be stopped while driving, you can not be arrested for ~~cross-dressing~~ as long as you comply with all the officers request, since the law states that he/she must overlook that which offends the "normal" person. Give the officer your correct drivers license and state that it is your license. Do not state that you are anything other then a male and don't give him/her a another reason to arrest you and you should be alright. Even if he/she is not polite to you, BE POLITE to him/her. If asked why you are dressed state where you are heading. Be truthful. You should know that once you have provided your license, registration and reason for being dressed that is the only information you are required to give. If asked where you are employed you do not have to answer. State that you choose not to give that information. I'll talk more about the law and cross-dressing the next time.



G I R L T A L K

Well Heather M. (M for male) is working again. In fact besides Cross-Port (which don't pay nutin') I am working three jobs. One full time and two part time. (A fourth one fell through - Thank heavens.) So if this news-letter seems some what less organized it's because I barely had time to put it together. I want to thank everyone who offered me encouragement while I was unemployed. It meant alot to me. I do miss being home, dressed all day though. My wife has lost her wife.

I mentioned earlier about the show we did. After the show we went to a Club in Indianapolis called "Club 21". It's on 21st St. and when we walked in they said, "We just saw you on TV." It's a real nice place and they have drag shows as well as LIVE shows. It also has a nice Disco dance floor. How about one of you from Indy checking out the show schedules and letting us know each month for the "InnerView".

Along those lines, we have gotten a number of letters from people in the Indianapolis area. It may be worth considering a Branch of Cross-Port for that city. If you could all find a meeting place and one person agreed to run it, it might be worth trying. You could send a short report each month and I could put it in the news-letter.

Mary from "The One Stop Bra & Swim Shop" has invited us to pick a night to come to their shop after hours. They will have saleswoman there to help with fittings and we will be free to try things on. We can even come dressed. What do you say girls? This is something many of you have asked for. I suggest you write, call or come to the March meeting so we can pick a night. We can choose Mon, Tue, Wed & Friday nights. After 6:00 PM. It's up to you. If this works out, maybe we can talk other shops into doing the same thing. She would like us to pick a night before the end of March.

I enjoyed a visit from Loretta and family (wife Joey and daughter Connie) while they were in Cincy. I'm sorry I didn't have more time to spend with you but I truly enjoyed the time we had. The next time maybe we can arrange to go out.

I am concerned about the number of letters I receive from people for information and then I never hear from them again. I'm not concerned for the sake of the group but because I know how hard it is to reach out, and how much pain and suffering there can be within. I know for some, this kind of group is not what they are looking for, and for others the meetings are not easy to get to, but for many they are just plain afraid. We all know because most of us have been through it. There is a great need to meet and talk with others and a great fear of doing so.

Maybe, if some of you, would write to me about how you over came your fears I could put them into some kind of letter to send new people.

I did manage to go to "All Saints Chapel" the other week. The service was great even though there was a small group. I had met several of the members when they performed as the "Chapelettes" at the Golden Lion. They raised \$260 for ASC and the girls donated their \$220 in tips to Aids Volunteers of Cincinnati. They are truly a warm bunch of people.

Finally, if the "InnerView" seems shorter this month is really isn't. I used a slightly smaller type which allows me to put more information in a little less space.

Well, that's about it for this month. Until the next time "Put on your red dress baby, cause were going out tonight".

Letters to Heather

Dear Cross-Port,

I am writing you concerning the night you were on "Night Talk". I want you to know I'm for all of you. I don't see any difference in a man dressing like a lady, than a lady dressing like a man.

I know alot of people are against you, and what you do, but I look at it this way. A lady can go to bed with a man, let's say a one night stand, and she's considered trash, while a guy gets a star on his crown. That makes him more of a Man? And a lady can dress like a man in jeans and a T-shirt and they say she's sexy, where when you dress like ladies they say you're weird.

I think you're great and you play the parts of females great. So go for it.

RB (66)

Dear RB,

Thank you for your kind words. We all wish more women felt as you do, and if they do would tell us so. We really need your kind of support.

Dear Heather,

Thank you for sending us a copy of your news-letter. It will certainly help us provide more information to those cross-dressers who contact us.

We continue to receive calls from persons who are interested in cross-dressing both gay and straight wanting to know where to go and how to meet others cross-dressers. Having your organization available fills a long perceived need. Your newsletter gives us a new insight into the kinds of activities your group is involved in. Thanks for being there.

On behalf of the Gay Switchboard volunteers. GM

Dear GM,

We thank you and feel the same about you and your organization. We all are working for the same purpose, to help those who need us. Whether "straight" or "gay" we must learn to help, accept and support each other. We thank you for supporting us.

Heather

Bulletin Board

CROSS-PORT'S Meeting schedule for 1986 is Mar 20 (FUN Fashions), Apr 17, May 15, Jun 19, Jul 17, Aug 21, Sep 18, Oct 16, Nov 20, Dec 18

The Paradise Club's Schedule - For 1986 - Apr 19, Jun 14 (Picnic - Rummage Sale), Aug 16 (Guest Speaker), Oct 18 (Meeting & Drag Show), Dec 13 (Christmas Dinner)

Be All You Want To Be Weekend - Jun 5 to Jun 8

Write Paradise Club, PO Box 29564, Parma, OH 44129, Attn: Susan for Prices and Places

Transpitt's Meeting Schedule is the third Saturday of the month.

Beaux Arts Ball - March 23, Cost \$45/ person

Write Transpitt, PO Box 59406, Pittsburg, PA 15211, Attn: Johnnie

Windy City Chapter's Meeting Schedule. They meet the Third Tuesday of each month at 8: 30.

Spring Fling Weekend May 1 to May 4

Write Windy City Chapter, PO BOX 2312, Chicago, IL 60690, Attn: Sharon Hart

Joyce Dewhurst's Spring Pocono Fantasy - May 16 to 18. Cost is \$189/person and \$355 Male/Female Couples. Save \$15 if \$50 Deposit is Received before Feb. 1.

Write Joyce Dewhurst, 37-50 76th St., Jackson Heights, NY 11372 or call (718) 335-3048

TRI-ESS information Write Carol Beecroft, P. O. Box 194, Tulare, CA, 93275

Crossroads, Meetings April 5, May 3.

Write Crossroads, P. O. Box 1298, Flint, MI 48501

Genesis- meets the second Saturday of the month.

Write Genesis, P. O. Box 0954, Elyria, OH, 44036-0954

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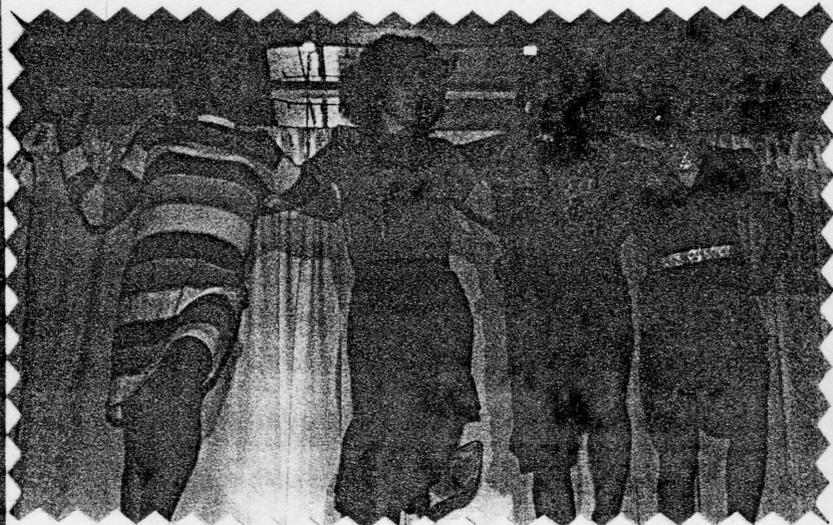
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