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Friendship is born at that moment when one person says to another,
"What! You, too? I thought I was the only one."-C.S. Lewis

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FROM CATERPILLAR TO BUTTERFLY

(Part II)

by Holly Ann (FL-19)

In Part I (October '82 Phoenix) you read of my eye and nose surgery. Also I related the adventures and feasts of delight involved in the transition from man to woman. While I enjoyed every moment, and hope you were and are as delighted when you read of my adventures as I was while living them, more needed to be done.

Saturday, June 26, '82 was the day of my appointment with Doctor. Shannon (my wife) accompanied me. The session lasted more than five hours, but what a delightful analysis! He took pictures of me and my development after which he asked me to dress in the feminine clothing I had with me. He analyzed my progress toward the feminine graces of walking, talking and gestures that could bring me to the height of body and soul of the woman I so wish to become.

I hadn't yet accomplished the mannerisms Doctor had prescribed. My walk was stiff with my body tilting forward in an unfeminine manner. He was not satisfied. He's so strict. He won't let me go it on my own until he feels I can pass without being read at all.

It was interesting that Doctor utilized hypnosis to aid in my transition. For example, he set up scenarios and described in detail how I should react to the different situations I might encounter as a woman. He also employed the technique with Shannon so she can continue to love and accept me even though I shall be a woman whom she considers a sister.

Then, a pleasant surprise — Doctor liked my make-up, clothing and wig. And there was good evidence that my voice training has paid off. After the session Shannon told me I had kept my feminine voice throughout and that she was proud of me for having done so.

The climax came when Doctor told me I was ready to start living full-time as a woman in Jacksonville. But, he did want Shannon to be with me for at least two months. In preparation he gave me a letter stating I was under his care, in gender

training, was required to live full-time as a woman. The letter was, of course, only to be used if necessary.

Saturday, July 3, '82 was one of those days in my transition which should be taken out and relegated to a bottomless pit. But, I tell of it here because that's the way it might go for any of us on the Yellow Brick Road.

Since I would need an apartment during my stay in Jacksonville Shannon and I went apartment searching.

Because it was hot (as Florida is wont to be in Summer) I drank a lot of iced tea. While shopping at Jefferson Ward I had to use the ladies room — not once, but twice — during negotiations for the furniture we were purchasing. As I emerged from the ladies room the second time two men approached me. One was in some kind of a uniform and asked to see my identification. I asked "Am I under arrest or something?" When he responded in the negative I refused to show my identification. I was then told the manager wanted me to leave the store. I left, but not before telling Shannon to retrieve our credit card and cancel the rather large order we were making. Shannon saw the look on my face and didn't argue — she just picked up the card and left a very surprised salesman who just lost a good-sized commission.

Crossdressers are often advised not to use a ladies room if there is a chance of being read. In many cases, even if someone is read, no action will be taken. However, if a person is under scrutiny and goes to the ladies room it may be the last straw and an embarrassing incident may occur. Since I'm full-time there are occasions when I will have to violate this precaution. But, in this instance I learned a lesson — never use the same restroom more than once. That was the only time I have ever been questioned or embarrassed over restroom usage.

Actually, there was no need to rent an apartment this time since it would be a month before I returned to Jacksonville

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and there should be plenty of vacancies.

I used the month to get my affairs in order to make the transition to Holly Ann easier and more complete. Yes, I've decided to completely lay the past behind me and change to a different name. I'm going to live in the same town I've lived in — as a male — for twenty years, yet I don't want Holly connected with Bob in any way, not even in name.

Rearranging the accoutrements of a life influenced by gender change is **not** the most straightforward thing in the world. First, I contacted a woman Loan Officer I knew well at my bank. There are certain institutions and people having a "need to know" and the bank is one of them. While she was surprised when I told her of my plans, she accepted them. Holly Ann's name was added to the bank account, safety deposit box, new checks were made out in Holly Ann's name. And her name was added to the responsibility of the loan we have with the bank. Already Holly is in debt — what a way to start life.

More financial arrangements were necessary, especially in the area of establishing credit, so off I went to the Credit Bureau. I insisted on seeing the manager and was finally admitted to her office. I presented the situation frankly and she was cooperative. The new name was added to Bob's credit file enabling me to apply for credit at major department stores and obtain a Master Card.

Holly Ann, being a true patriot, wanted to vote. So, all suited up, off she went to the local voter's registration office to cancel Bob's name off and add Holly's name to the voter's list. No problem.

It was during this period I observed that women are much more accepting of such a status change than men. Therefore, I always conducted my business with women whenever possible. Why are women more accepting? Are they more tolerant? Broad-minded? Or just adjusted to the unusual things of life? Perhaps they just don't mind being "joined" by a man who delights in being a woman. Men, on the other hand, may feel this is treason; desertion of a role they deem proper.

During this "waiting period" I spent as much time as possible as Holly, going to

shopping centers, stores and other places where the connection to Bob was not likely to be made. As I gained confidence I was read less and less.

As related in the previous installment, our original plan was to move to a new location when the transition from man to woman was absolutely completed. We found the ultimate dream house long before that and moved in. Thus, a new scenario was required. In the new plan Holly was to appear on the scene when Bob left for a job in South America. Shannon was to go to California and return with Bob's cousin Holly, a widow living out there for many years, to live with Shannon as company and help. It might work. Since moving into the new house we haven't been especially chummy with the neighbors so, when Holly arrives few, if any, will remember Bob. They don't even know him.

August 1, '82. Shannon and Holly packed the car and headed for Jacksonville where we found a not too expensive, apartment in a nice neighborhood close to shopping centers.

Accepted by the manager and his wife Holly moved in. I continue to be a woman to them and many of the residents. In fact, many of the younger women come to "Mother Holly" with their problems and we talk "woman talk". I've helped three of them with problems involving boy-friends and husbands. Frequently Holly is asked to eat, play cards or just talk with them. It's a joy to be accepted without question.

While Shannon stays with me when she can she does have her business to take care of so she spends a good deal of time in Daytona. Holly has really started to live here; we go out to eat, shop and anything else we can find to do,.

There are so many things which have happened to me here, in Jacksonville, it would take reams and ages to write them all down, but here are samples of the high spots.

I enrolled in a charm school for a self-improvement course. Nothing gets by those professionals — I was read instantly. However, during the initial interview the Director became so fascinated with Holly that I was accepted for a ten week course.

I enjoyed every minute of it. The instructors couldn't have been nicer and I learned a great deal about being a lady.

I enjoy tennis and found a racquet club only half a mile from the apartment. After screwing up my courage I joined for three months. The ultimate test of courage came when I appeared, for the first time, on the court in my new short tennis skirt, blouse and shoes. What a pleasant surprise to find I was accepted right away. When the girls found I could play pretty well I was asked to be on their lady's team. I told them I was in Jacksonville for surgery and would be here only about three months, but that I would play as a substitute. So far I've played three matches for our team. [Careful Holly, tennis is what unmasked Renée Richards.]

What a ball! The girls told me where I could get more tennis clothes and where to buy feminine necessities here in Jacksonville. They have been so nice to me. I play two to four hours every weekday — helps keep me in shape and my weight down.

Through GGA I met a post-op, Rebecca (FL-34), living here in Jacksonville. She has been a wonderful friend. We go shopping together and are like two sisters. Shannon also likes her and when the three of us the girls talk really flies. Rebecca was married about three months ago and is very happy.

Doctor decided that I was ready for the rest of my surgery (non-genital) so I entered the hospital (as Bob) August 31st for surgery the next day. It was some experience and done under local anesthetic so I was aware of everything going on.

My hair was shaved, then my scalp cut across the top from ear to ear and the skin pulled down. The exposed frontal forehead bone was shaved (no!, not with a razor, silly), the skin replaced and tightened to remove the wrinkles from my forehead. Next an incision was made under my chin and the jaw line reduced by grinding and shaving the jaw bone. Then the neck skin was tightened. After that, an incision was made in front of each ear and the skin of the cheeks pulled back to take out some of the facial wrinkles. Both ear lobes were trimmed and the ears made smaller. Most of the incisions were stapled together

rather than sewn.

That's some sensation — having your face stapled together!

I spent three days in the hospital, two with my face under ice packs. By the end of the seventh day all the discoloration and much of the swelling was gone. I'm lucky to be a fast healer.

I was able to go out again after seven days and my new face was accepted without question. Unfortunately, it will take my hair about eight months to grow again to the length for perming so I'll wear a wig until then.

I go out, by myself, with Shannon or some of the girls from the apartment complex and am not read at all. What a wonderful feeling that is. I feel my confidence growing each day.

The other evening a girl friend from the apartment next door and I went to a restaurant and were lucky enough to get a table there during Happy Hour. A few minutes after we arrived two other ladies were also looking for a table so we invited them to share ours. Soon there were eight of us at the table. I was in seventh heaven being accepted for what I appeared to be. Girl talk flowed like wine and everyone was so nice. We were asked to meet them there again the following Friday (Taco Night). What a lovely time.

August 1, '82. Big day today! My name was legally changed to Holly Ann today. I spent all of eight minutes in the judge's chambers. It was so easy.

Armed with my new certificate I went to the Social Security office and changed those records. Then to the driver's license department to change that. I really needed a new license. I now have a license in Holly's name and have already used it to cash a check — how sweet it is!

October 15, '82. During our consultation with Doctor today he told me I was advanced enough to return to Daytona. Since the apartment rent was paid 'til the end of the month and I had some things to wrap up Shannon and I decided I should stay until the twenty-third and go back in time for Holly's first Birthday Party on the twenty-fifth. I'll be 57 going on 44, which

is the age Doctor set for me. I only wish it were true. My biggest regret is that I wasn't able to do this twenty years ago.

October 26, '82. The birthday was a huge success. Some many of my friends were in Daytona for the Success Chapter Daytona 82 Event. Everyone met at our house at 4 pm for punch, mixed drinks and cake. It was such a pleasant experience having so many friends around me for my first birthday party as a woman. Ah, heaven!

November 6, '82. I've been home two weeks now and, it seems, our little deception is working well. As Bob's cousin from California I haven't been recognized or approached as Bob or as a man. It's so wonderful to get up in the morning, shower, put on make-up, skirt and blouse or a dress and know I can go anywhere I please as a woman. I feel now that I am completely a woman and I always want to think, act and feel like one.

The director of the charm school I attended asked me to give a talk about myself to her ladies club of approximately twenty-five influential and knowledgeable woman in Jacksonville. The women are wives of attorneys, doctors and businessmen. As you may guess, I'm getting my best clothes and accessories ready to make a good impression.

November 9, '82. Yesterday, with Rebecca, I gave my talk to twenty-two members of the ladies club. It appeared to have been well received. After the talk we answered many questions and feel we have enlightened some important people. We hope they will be empathetic to our cause.

[Holly has promised further writing of her adventures as her new self. As of this writing she had not planned a complete gender change, however, recently she advised us she is "going the whole route" so, you can look forward to more of her trials and tribulations on the Journey Along the Yellow Brick Road to the Land of Oz.]

WOMAN OR "QUEEN"?
(Feminine or Effeminate)
by Rupert Raj (FTM)
GGA Professional Associate.



Over the past decade I have peer-counseled a fair number of transsexuals, both male-to-female and female-to-male, and I have come to the conclusion there are several distinct classes of transsexual people:

1. true transsexuals.
2. pseudo-transsexuals.
3. surgical transsexuals.
4. non-surgical transsexuals.

The "true transsexual" is generally also a "surgical transsexual". But, on occasion a "pseudo-transsexual" is mis-diagnosed as a "true" and unfortunately undergoes sex re-assignment surgery. The "true transsexual" is rarely a "non-surgical transsexual", but sometimes due to age, ill-health, contraindications and/or religious or moral objections may decide not to undergo surgery. The "pseudo-transsexual" is, hopefully, usually also a "non-surgical transsexual" and reverts to his/her original gender role prior to (hormones and) surgery.

Within the "pseudo" class, I would number those so-called male-to-female transsexuals who call themselves (and wish to be) women, but who act (and possibly think and feel) more like effeminate men or "queens". These effeminate "transsexuals" may or may not also be homosexual, but they certainly resemble the classical stereotype of the gay drag queen. Of course, there are those male-to-female transsexuals who are not effeminate, but rather, are feminine in their behavior. These female transsexuals act, think and feel like women.

Now, I have absolutely nothing against effeminate men, either heterosexual or homosexual, but my stomach turns when I see a so-called transsexual mince, prance and flit about, speak gay slang from the "queen's English" in an affected nasal intonation and gesture and gesticulate in a decidedly derogatory and sexually crude manner.

For me, the illusion is not one of womanliness, of femininity, of lady-likeness; of grace, poise, elegance and beauty, but rather the image of maleness, of effeminacy; of caricature, crudity, travesty and perversity.

A woman — particularly a lady — (as opposed to a slut, a sleaze, slouch, fishwife, pecking old hen, broad, dame, chick, etc.) thinks, feels and acts like a lady. She is feminine. She is womanly. An effeminate transsexual (or homosexual) male behaves and acts (and possibly thinks and feels) like a man — albeit an effeminate man. He is not feminine. He is not womanly. Nor is he manly. He is, or rather, his behavior and actions are, somewhere in between masculinity and femininity.

So, my dear male-to-female transsexual readers please ask yourselves "Do I think and feel like a woman or do I think and feel like a man?" If the answer to the first part of the question is "yes" then ask yourself "Do I behave and act like a woman — a lady — or do I behave and act like an effeminate man — a "queen?"

The choice to be a woman or a "queen" is yours.

[Editor's comments: What is wrong about being a effeminate woman? What could be wrong with being an effeminante transsexual?

If I were either of the above I would not want to be peer counseled by someone holding a negative attitude about effeminacy, especially if I were pursuing the goal of gender modification.

However, if I fit, Mr. Raj's somewhat narrow definition of "womanliness" he might be a counselor of some benefit.

I am disturbed by his assertions and definitions of masculinity and femininity, and his demeaning attitude toward drag queen behavior. It seems he reveals a somewhat sex negative attitude by his definitions of caricature, travesty, crudity and especially perversity. A question Rupert, what specifically is something perverse? My Britannica has this to say, in part, "1.

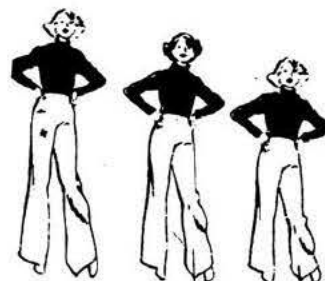
Wrong or erring; different or varying from the correct or normal; also, unreasonable set against right, reason or authority."

Raj, are you setting yourself up as an authority on the correctness of individual male and female transsexuals behavior? Are you trying to define for individuals the correct things they should feel and act upon? Or, is this article more a statement of your opinion? I, for one, hope it's the latter. I do not want any of us to begin defining "normal" behavior patterns for others, because I personally know many friends living, what are considered by some, politically incorrect lifestyles, all of whom are happy and accepted within their respective communities, partly because of their lifestyles. Who is to say these people should have surgery? Only, only, those people desiring genital surgery should have the decision making power over their own bodies without outside interference.

On the issue of being a "slut" or a "sleaze", "broad", "chick", etc. who are you to place a negative on these womanly behaviors? Can't women enjoy being sexual? Can we not enjoy fornication and actively pursue it? Can we not display grace, poise, elegance and beauty in the throes of orgasm? Or is this to be denied us because we are expected to assume the politically correct pedestal position?

Rupert, I would ask you to examine your motivation in writing this article of your's, as a woman I am somewhat offended. However, I am only one women in the Phoenix readership, and the above are just my opinions.

We, the Editors, welcome any comments on Mr. Raj's article — or on our comments, for that matter. Please respond and we'll make space available for your comments.]



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ACLU Transsexual Rights Committee
American Civil Liberties Union of Southern
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May 3, 1983

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Dear GGA,

I am writing to announce that I have been appointed to be the new Chairperson of the ACLU Transsexual Rights Committee.

How does one follow in the footsteps of the work done by Joanna Clark, the immediate past Chairperson, and feel that the work done by this Committee will continue to benefit the transsexual community nationwide?

By now it should be no great secret to us all that we all have benefitted immensely because of all the work and dedication that Joanna has put into improving the quality of life for all transsexuals during and prior to her first three years as Chairperson of the Committee. She had dedicated, and continues to dedicate, much of her time and personal finances to the struggle to improve the legal rights of all transsexuals; preoperative, postoperative, male-to-female or female-to-male - everyone of us and for all walks of life where a transsexual individual may be found.

As the new Chairperson of the Committee, I will be making no changes in the direction of our work or the issues and cases in which we become involved. In the two years or so that I have been on the Committee, I have enjoyed working with Joanna and know that I can rely on her vast experience and knowledge to guide me as the new Chairperson.

There is one subject that I would like to bring to your attention which I know, from my own experience, will cause many of you to think of my letter as just another pitch by a new face to let me put my fingers in your wallet. Yes, you guessed it, this is my pitch for money. But wait, before you toss aside the magazine in which

this letter appears, I want to ask you to stop and think of how many of the freedoms we now have as transsexuals we would not have if it weren't for the work done by Joanna and the Committee. Very few indeed! Sure, we don't have that many, but we wouldn't have those if it weren't for our ability to fight for what should be given us just because we are human beings like everyone else; if it weren't for our ability to lobby in the State Legislature for bills that, if passed, will protect us from employment discrimination and unfair employment practices, discrimination in the armed services, vocational rehabilitation services, improper and inadequate medical and mental health care and other areas of concern to us all.

If the ALCU TRC is to continue to exist and fight for your rights, we need to have the support, in both a philosophical and economic way, of every member of the transsexual community. Those of us who have carried the brunt of the financial requirements of the work of the Committee cannot do so ad infinitum. We need you to help us out. Even the most modest of contributions - \$1 - \$2 - or whatever you can afford will go a long way toward assuring that the Transsexual Rights Committee will be around for a long time fighting for **your** right to live your life to the fullest potential, in whatever gender is most appropriate for you to do so.

So please, won't you contribute something today? You can send your contribution to ACLU Transsexual Rights Committee, 31815 Camino Capistrano, Suite L, San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675.

Have you heard of the method the Moral Majority (sic) has used to raise funds? They have each person tell two friends to send two dollars, who tell two friends to send two dollars, who tell two friends

Why don't we try this too?

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

s/t Diane Saunders
Chairperson

CHAPTER CHATTER

SAN JOSE - Another Dining Out is being planned and is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, August 13th, at The Cruiser Lounge in Redwood City. When arrangements have been firmed up we'll send a flyer to all the Associates in the Bay Area.

The usual arrangement of purchasing a reserved ticket in advance will apply. Ticket money will, as usual, be refunded at the door so you can use it to pay at least part of your check.

PHI Chapter, Philadelphia - The following is a recap of meetings held from January thru April '83.

January 22. The weatherman delt us a blow with a cold, blustery and tremendously rainy afternoon and evening. One could only wish she had stayed in bed — and yet more than a dozen of the brave made the trek to our meeting.

As usual a good time was had by all and, as usual, Pumpkin Time arrived all too soon. We departed looking forward to the February 26th meeting.

February 26. Today's meeting may well prove to be the highlight of the year. The weather was chilly, but clear and there were twenty members on-hand to welcome our guest of the evening, Ariadne Kane, of the Outreach Institute, Boston.

Ari brought two video tapes to show. The first tape was of the October '82 Fantasia Fair held in Provincetown, MA. The producers caught the highlights of the Fair with sections ranging from the simple and common topics of walking, sitting and eating to a section dealing with professional modelling classes. It was a total learning experience, interwoven with social, practical and educational aspects and explored many of our common fantasies. It showed how we can help one another. After all it really is a challenge, for us, to be treated as a woman in the many new and different situations common to the daily life of a woman.

The second tape was a "fun thing" showing the Fantasia Follies" in all their glory.

Betty Ann (VA-1) as Mistress of Ceremonies did a truly professional job while our own Michelle (NJ-1) literally stole the show as Evita of Argentina.

All in all we thoroughly enjoyed the pre-

sentation and words alone cannot express our appreciation to Ms Kane for her presentation.

March 26. For the first time this year we had enough seats for everyone attending. Usually we play a game of musical chairs at the Collingswood site, but tonight, thanks to the other crossdresser meetings and events we had room to breathe, move and, thankfully, chairs to spare. And despite the relatively few in attendance — 10 in all with three of them newcomers — the PHI Chapter continues to grow.

Some of the topics discussed and of concern are:

(1). The establishment of a Welcoming Committee to take responsibility for actually welcoming new member to the Chapter.

(2). A Program Committee to arrange the details of each meeting in advance. Things such as topics for discussion; a movie; speaker(s); demonstrations by professions such as beauticians, electrologists, etc.

(3). Establishing a Hot Line to offer aid to people in the Philadelphia Area.

(4). A Wife's Auxiliary.

(5). A "kitty" for donations — of say \$3.00 — for those attending but not bringing anything to eat or drink.

(6). Miscellaneous Topics, such as By-laws, dues, meeting of Chapter Officers and Committees of the Chapter.

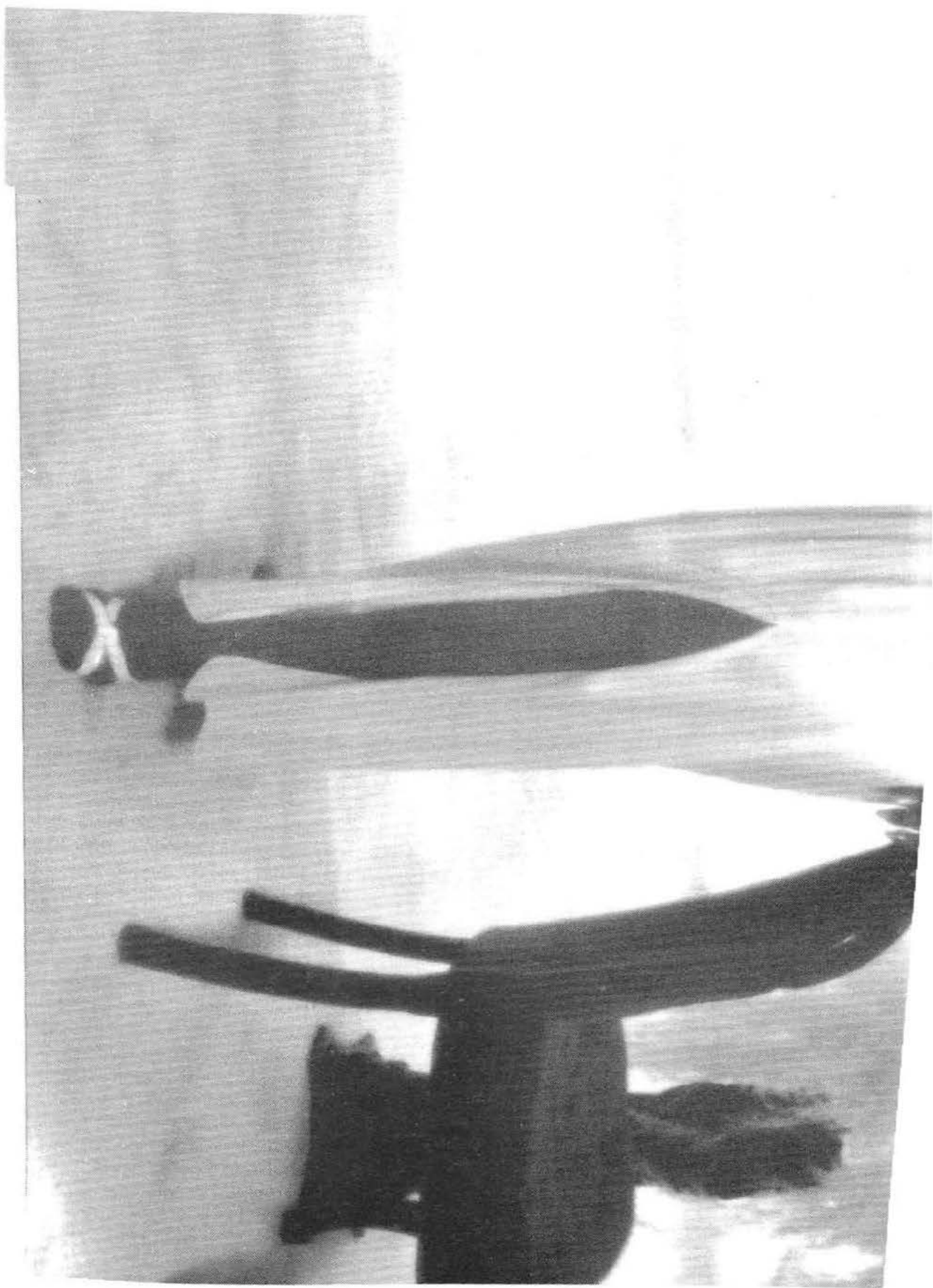
April 23. Tonight was another "quiet night" with fifteen in attendance

The minutes of previous meetings we made available to all and discussed. Due to prior commitments Michelle was unable to be present and offer guidance so major decisions were postponed.

We adjourned, looking forward to the meeting on May 28th.



KAY
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MAIL BAG (Letters from readers)

Dear Editor(s),

Received the June Phoenix. Reference the article Electrolysis, et al on page 4.

The sign on the outside read "Merle Norman Cosmetics", and underneath was, "Ear Piercing and Hair Removal". I walked in and noticed two young women talking very softly, almost a whisper. I stood inside for about four or five minutes and was about to walk out when one of the women finally looked my way "Do you want something?" she asked in a curt manner.

I replied "I notice you do electrolysis."

"Is it for you?"

"Yes."

The other young woman turned her head away and I saw a sly, sneaky grin on her face.

The first woman replied, "I'm sorry but electrolysis is **very** unsatisfactory on males and we do **not** do it for any males. Male's hormones prevent destruction of the hair follicles and I won't take your money".

Each time she said "male" it was as though she was spitting the word out in loath, contempt and disgust.

I thanked her and left.

The glass in the front door made an excellent "mirror" and I saw the two of them standing; one about to burst out laughing and the other giving me a very nasty look.

Luv,
Ginny
(TX-38)

Dear Ginny,

Obviously the gal knows not from whence she speaks. If electrolysis doesn't work on males then a heck of a lot of gals in the profession are stealing a lot of money from people undergoing treatments. I strongly suspect had you lifted the hair covering the young woman's neck you would have found one as red as a cooked lobster. Her IQ seems to be exceeded by her shoe size.

Possibly, as indicated in the article to which you referred, Texas is one of the States **not** requiring licensing and schooling for electrologists and thus any Tom, Dick or Harriet can hang out a shingle.

May we suggest, if **really** want your

facial hair removed, that you call the electrologists listed in the local Yellow Pages asking if they have experience in removing the male beard? Find out how many men they have worked on and, if possible, talk to one or more of their clients. See how they feel about the operator. Surely, there must be several effective operators in the Dallas area. When you find one — or more — please let us know the name and address so we can include them in the Resource Directory. And be sure and have a free demonstration before settling in with one to do the work. Remember there will be some degree of discomfort in the treatments, but a skilled operator will keep that to a minimum.

Dear Editors,

You asked for in response to Suzanne's letter in the June issue concerning the art work appearing in the Phoenix.

My comment is "they enhance an already fine magazine. And I would hate to see them replaced by anything so mundane as to go unnoticed by our more straight-laced minded fellow citizens."

I also enjoy the stories by Valerie. I find them interesting and entertaining and they seem to strike a familiar feeling in me.

My only "complaint" is the Phoenix is not a **larger** magazine. I hope it will be so in the future.

Sincerely,
Cynthia
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CARLA SAGAN'S COZMOS

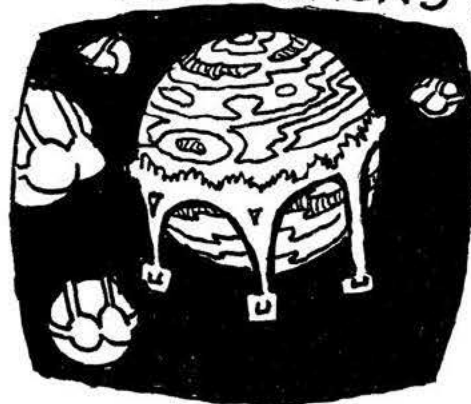
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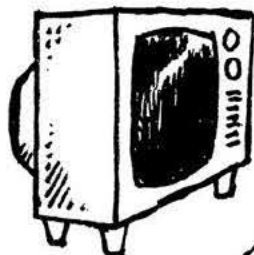
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SHANGRI-LA. For information contact Nancy [redacted] PO Box 18202, Irvine, CA 92713.

SAN DIEGO AREA. Contact W. Thomas, Post Office Box 99732, San Diego, CA 92109 for information on meeting times, dates and place.

**** COLORADO ****

DENVER: TV/TS Group. Meeting every Monday, 8 pm. Members begin assembling about 7:30 so often no seats are left - early arrival is suggested. Location: corner of 11th Avenue and Filmore, Cherry Creek Area of southeast Denver. Call (303) 420-9885 for specific information.

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DELTA CHI CHAPTER (GGA): Sandy [redacted] Post Office Box 11254, Lincolnia Station, Alexandria, VA 22312.

Meetings: 1st Saturday each month.

CAPITOL CHAPTER (GGA) (Balt-DC Area): Lisa [redacted] Post Office Box 218, Burtonsville, MD 20703.

Meetings: 2nd Saturday each month.

ACADEMY AWARDS (Drag-gay): Carl Rizzi [redacted] Arlington, VA 22204.

**** FLORIDA ****

SUCCESS CHAPTER (GGA). Meetings: April 30th, May 28th, June 25th, July 30th, August 27th. September 25th to October 1st - The Success Week, '83. Contact Susan [redacted] PO Box 1601, Pinellas Park, 34290.

**** ILLINOIS ****

WINDY CITY CHAPTER (GGA). Write PO Box 2312, Chicago, IL 60690 or call (312) 472-4518 for the location. Meeting time 8:00.

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NORTHWEST CHAPTER (GGA). Regular monthly meetings. For information concerning activities in the NW Area contact Olivia [redacted] PO Box 13173, Portland OR 97213.

**** PENNSYLVANIA ****

PI CHAPTER (GGA) (Pittsburgh Area) Contact Patricia [redacted] PO Box 576, Export, 15632.

PGH CHAPTER (GGA) (Pittsburgh Area) Contact Rachel [redacted] PO Box 16080, Pittsburgh, PA 15242.

PHI CHAPTER (GGA) (Philadelphia Area.) Contact Michelle [redacted] PO Box 322, Collingswood, NJ 08108.

Meetings: 4th Saturday of each month.

N.E.PA-GGA (Scranton/Wilkes Barre Area.)

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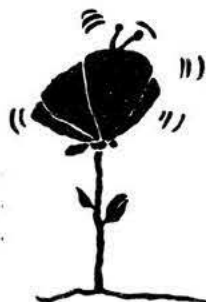
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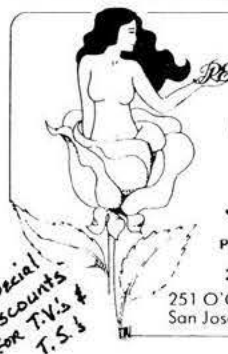
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