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FREE TO MEMBERS

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Hello to all you Gals and G. G.'s :

Last night was a beautiful evening to spend with the several gals who came to be with their true found sisters. Even though there were only ten of us we had a good time. It seems to me when there are only a few, you have more time to talk with all, it is also easier to sit around the bar and all be in on the same conversation. Of course we always miss the girls who had been coming to the meetings regular, and now for some reason they are not able to come. Most always we have a new face in the crowd, but last night it was all the girls who had been here before. Don't know what happened to Pamela, she was one of the first gals who so much wanted to start a club going so that all the T. V 's who were loocked up in the closet for so long would be able to come out and meet the other girls and have a friend to turn to when they felt that old urge to dress, and let off steam. I believe some of the steam has worn off for Pam. Then again maybe when some can dress when ever they want, there is no need to come to a meeting. Take Elanda, our newest T. V., for her it it sheer delight for her to come and talk and dress with the other Gals. Elanda has been in the closet for a long time, and now since she has joined the girls her whole life has had a better meaning for her. She went out this past week, and did some shopping in a big department store, went in the restuarant and had coffee and then proceeded to go to still another big store and buy herself a new wig, she told the saleslady that she was appearing in a play and her part was that of a lady. That's some smooth talking for some one who has just come out of her shell and been in with a group.

Michelle from Glens Falls had to leave a little early as there seems to be a prowler hanging around their trailer court. Terrie as small as you are you better get yourself a good piece of lead pipe and hit the prowler on the head with it before he gets you. Do hope they have caught him by the time you get this newsletter.

The girls who made it here this month were, Jean, Plattsburg- Michelle Albany- Michelle, Glens Falls- Elanda, Rome- Crystal, Menands- Caroline, Troy [REDACTED], Colonie- Winnie, Schenectady, and Wilma & I.

The menu for tonight was Roast Beef, Au Gratin Potatoes, carrots, applesauce, pickels, olives, cole slaw, home made bread, coffee and cookies.

Last month Jean went on the weight watchers diet and proceded to take off a lot of weight, so I put Wilma on the same diet with me tagging along. Well both Wilma & I took off ten pounds so there fore last night for the three of us Jean, Wilma & I , our meal was Roast beef, Wax beans, asparagus, and black coffee. This diet is really a good one to follow for any one who is sincere in losing weight. There is plenty to eat on the diet.

Jo and Dennie my helpers didn't make the meeting last night but my friend Joan who also is a big help to me in the kitchen was ready and willing to help. Elanda also came in the kitchen to help. I really appreciate all the help these gals give me.

All you gals who missed tonight, I'd like to take this time to tell you all that Next month (June) will be the last meeting untill Sept. July is Wilmas and My vacation., then the third week of July I am going in the Hospital for Major surgery. My being laid up would make it rather hard for my Wilma to have a gathering and prepare the food for all, and she would not be herself without me there. I feel bad that I will be spoiling a night out for some of the T.V.'s, but it is something that I have to have done. Again my apologies to all of you, and I do hope you will understand.

Say Crystal how did you make out on your date last night? Oh Yes did you get a date for Caroline. Speaking of Caroline, this girl has so much improved her dressing up and her figure is curving out beautifully, and would you believe this gal plays golf, softball and chess. the golf and soft ball should really give her a set of muscles in the arms, but she doesn't have a hard muscle at all, really looks like a lady.

Missed our two Canadian friends this month, of course I know they can't make every meeting, but the girls sure did miss them, they are two nice people. Susanne & Louise were a barrel of laughs, mixed in with the whole crowd. Any of you gals who live in or around Canada this is for you.

Susanne and Louise are going to start a good club going for all you who care to join and be able to come over and meet with all the sisters in the same walk of life that you are in. Mainly to cross dress and be able to sit and talk with one another and let off all the frustrations and pent up feelings of living in the closet for so long, thinking that you are the only one who dresses. They have a big home with 5 apartments in it where you can

dress and there would be some one to help you with your makeup, or help to put your wig on. You would also have a place to leave your clothes, instead of carrying them around in the trunk of your car. I am sure you will enjoy being with these two gals as much as I have enjoyed their company when they made the trip here to Albany. They will start their club this coming Oct. So come on all you Canadians get up there and give these two wonderful people a hand to be a success in helping you and all other girls like you. To you Susanne and Louise I wish you success and happiness in the project you are undertaking. Louise and Susanne if Wilma or I can be of any help just give a holler.

A sedate lady called to testify in a lewd-and-lasuvivious trial asked permission to write what the defendant had said to her. When her note was given to the jurors to read, one pretty panelist found the man next to her asleep, pinched him and passed the note on. He read it, smiled at her, nodded and stuck it in his pocket.

Here's what's new in earrings: Earrings are in the gypsy mood-- enormous hoops big bright balls of jewelled metal, glittering chandeliers. Wear festoons of chains around your neck or concentrate on a single massive chain bearing a dazzling Maltese Cross or a big golden plaque. Put rings on all your fingers if you like-- rows of small snakes, clusters of stones sunk in gold, single huge gems. And for a neat small head, fasten your locks with a barret-- a fish, a bird or (ves, here it is gliding into prominence again! ) a snake.

LEARN from the past... Live in the present... Plan for the future...And work those Plans.

Got a Mother's Day card this week from a gal in Lousiana, naming me mother of the year. Because I take care of all the lovely T.V.'s. Thank you Laura I'm really flattered. Would you believe that Wilma gave me a Fishing Pole for Mothers day. I wonder if she was trying to tell me something. Well I really wanted a fishing pole as we have some beautiful fish in our lake on the Island.

Got a letter from Mrs Hibbard this past week, enjoyed reading it and hearing from her. Seems she enjoys her life with her T.V. man and only hopes that there many more wives who would accept their mates in their cross dressing. I am certainly going to drop her a letter shortly. It makes me happy to know that some of the wives really enjoy reading our newsletter. I try to write the few things that a wife would like to know about transvestism, and why their mates have this strong desire to dress. This too is how Mrs Hibbard feels, we need more wives to better understand their husbands and their needs.

He who gets something for nothing should not complain about quality.

A T.V. was bitten by a dog and, after several weeks, became violently ill. Upon examining the T.V. the Doctor explained, "You've been bitten by a rabid dog and are dying of hydrophobia. The end will come very soon. There's nothing I can do for you." The stricken T.V. asked for pencil and paper, then spent several hours thinking and writing. Finally, the Doctor broke the silence: "You certainly are making a lengthy will." "I'm not making my will," replied the T.V.. "I'm making a list of the other T.V.'s I'm going to bite! "



THE best helping hand is at the end of your own arm.

Well here I am again at the end of the sheet, I do hope that I have put together an interesting two pages to hold you over for awhile. I will have a good paper for next month so that you can reread it for the two months we'll be away.

To all of you out there stay healthy, happy, and look your best always.

My love to all the T.V.'s and their wonderful wives.

Till next month.

Soldier: "Lay off, Sailor!  
This gal belongs to the Army!"  
Sailor: "Nuts to you, Soldier!  
She's Navy property!"  
"Girl": "You're both wrong,  
fellows. I'm a Jet pilot in  
the Air Corps."

E D I T O R I A L

Each TV at some time in his development has had the feeling that he is the only person to ever feel the way he does. Later he learns that there are many others. Some are fortunate enough to meet others, while many live out their lives without any real opportunity to communicate or to know what others are like.

TVIC of Albany has helped in filling the need of communication and helping to bring about a feeling of "togetherness", but some facts are still badly needed both by TVs themselves and by society at large. Also many TVs forget about our need for help and leave us. Not caring if we survive. PLEASE remember you were once in the closet and we helped brake down the door. So how about staying with us ~~in~~ so that we may be able to keep helping others.

We may not be perfect but we darn sure try.

There is nothing you can not do in life if you want to do it badly enough and mobilize all your thoughts and resources to that end. A TV's life can be the happiest life for a human being, always keeping in mind that you are two people, two nice, decent people, who can learn to live together in beautiful and mutually beneficial harmony without har to any of your fellow human beings. M

And I would like to say to those "authorities" who claim TVism is just a desire, a whim which can be turned on or off at will. TVism can be a powerful force, a veritable steamroller which can shape and mold the intire life of an individual. It can determine your carer, your profession, it will sway patriotic feelings, it will determine your social life. It will make you willing to go through pain. To fight it leads only to frustration, mental imbalance and unhappyness. To accept it gladly, with open arms, or to find a measure of happiness which is satisfying, uplifting and unique.

Many TVs write or phone us about how much they would like to come to our TV parties. But when the chips are down they don't show up. There are several things at fault here. So many of you are afraid that you don't look well enough, you don't have the right clothes Or you would feel foolish in company with those of more experience, etc. LOOK! Our parties are not just for Miss America, Zsa Zsa Gabor and Marilyn Monroes, its for everybody who seeks to dress.

But here let me say-- give us at least a 3 day notice that you are coming and do come. Food and otherthings must be bought-- and at to-days prices we don't want to order more than we need.

W I L M A

After the ball was over Nellie went back to her home. Took off her high heels and hosiery, removed both her "falsies" of foam, discarded her dress and her undies. Took off her wig, makeu and all. Then lovely Nellie was Rodney.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED:

I am pleased to announce the enrollment of TW<sup>0</sup> more new members.

- B. O. Montreal Que. Canada.
- P. D. Bloomington Calif.

My wife was backing the car out of the garage and almost ran over me. She looked out and said, "Thank God its only you. I thought it was a stranger."

So two days later she finnaly makes a hit and knocked me down, and in doing so she stoped the car and yelled, "Look out". I raised my head and yelled back, "Why, are you coming back?"

B O O K S :

There are still some copies of TVia for sale at \$2.25 per copie. Order 4 copies - read them and return them for a \$4 credit towards 4 more books, In this way you will get to read all 50 books in time at adollar a book.

These books sell for \$6 each today



HAW -- HAW--HAW-- Thats a TV? That's really not the kind of TV I had in mine.

MIRAGE MAGAZINE:

I have just received a copy of this magazine and have found it a must for all transexuals. And very informative to all TVs Its \$2 per copy, at least do give it a try once. For a Copy write to

Angela K. D. [redacted]  
Box 391172  
Miami, Fla., 33139

You want to make someone happy to-day? Mind your own business.

R O P E J E W E L R Y :

In jewelry, ropes are the thing this season. From the most delicate to the boldest link, they're sensational with everything from casual sportswear to sophisticated evening clothes. The most versatile piece of jewelry a TV can own, ropes ade a link to a limitless number of looks.

No wardrobe is complete without at least two or three jewelry ropes.

THAT received without effort is of little worth.

FROM TAO

Miami Beach: Barbara Rosello, 24, a post-operative male to female transexual who underwent sex change in 1969, has become the second president of TAO in the wake of resignations and dismissals which shook the TAO to its core earlier this month. Dismissed by the Organization Command by Defense Director Colette Goudie. Sandy Mesics of TAO Philadelphia became the first director of TAO to be dismissed. TAO founder and President Angela K. Douglas resigned on April 16th in a surprise move, followed a day or so later by [redacted] op Staffordshire Director Julia [redacted]

At present, TAO has discontinued all services until workers and funds can be obtained.

Douglas will continue to publish Mirage Magazine but the free TAO publication, Moonshadow, will be published only if the new TAO leaders can do it with material on hand, or if support develops which presently does not exist.

President Barbara Rosello.

WHY is it that spring fever makes a man put his feet on the desk and rest, but it makes a woman clean house and move everything.

FROM DRAG MAGZINE VOL 3 #9

PARIS FRANCE: Alice Cooper the drag rock star stirred up the Paris society scene recently with a most unusual party. He invited some 300 guests including many entertainment celebrities and asked that they all come dressed as Roquel Welch, the celluloid sexbomb.

Omar Sharif came dressed as Roquel in the film Myra Breckenridge. But one guest noted he looked more like Groucho Marx.

Many others came sporting roller skates, as Roquel in the film Kansas City Bomber. But Roquel herself didn't show up. In fact, she wasn't even invited.

O what a tangled web we weave,  
When first we practice to deceive!

FROM MIRAGE MAGAZINE VOL 1 #1

Raymond Saumer, 24, was acquitted of a manslaughter charge by Justice Marcel Nicols. Saumer killed a Transvestite named Laureat Garcean, 35, who was also known as Lola D'Amour. Saumer claimed he killed Garcean when he discovered SHE/HE was a TV during an embrace in a parked car.

During his recent campaign for mayor, ex-police commissioner John Nichols of Detroit held a lawn party at a private home to raise funds. At least 8 of his officers attended the party wearing feminine attire-wig-nylons, high heels, dresses etc.  
(There was much more to this little story but you'll have to read it in

the Mar.-April Mirage Magazine.)



Alice you are really dressed to kill- Yes my wife probably would do it too, if she found me here in her clothes. Well if she does you can always go to TV heaven.

THE most effective way to cope with change is to help create it.

NEXT TV GATHERING:

JUNE 15th.

THERE will not be any gatherings for JULY and AUGUST.

BUT don't forget to mark your date book NOW for the SEPT 21st gathering. Also call or write 3 days in advance that you are coming. This is a MUST.

ANGER is often more harmful than the injury that caused it.

NEW TV CLUB IN MONTREAL, CANADA.

SOMETHING new in Montreal, Canada, a TV club is now taking shape and has at present 20 members and looking for more. It will be located in a building with 5 apartments. This club will have the whole building. There will be French and English speaking people. There also will be a place where you can leave your clothes from week to week.

GATHERINGS will be held once a month. The first week end of the month starting the first week end in October. This club will be run by Sussan and Louise, the two beautiful girls that were here at our gathering last month. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS WRITE TO TERRY VIAN

[redacted] Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

JOE: "Did you give your wife that little lecture on economy you talked about?"

HUNS: Yew .

JOE: "What happened?"

Huns "I had to give up smoking."

LEGS:: From most of the pictures I have seen on TVs sitting down I can extend one big suggestion: don't ever let your lap go above being level!!! By this I mean when crossing your legs do it so that the knee is not higher than the thigh, keep your lap level. Legs that are on the heavy side should wear a hose with a seam. Darker shades of hosiery also help to make the legs appear to be thinner.

# letters to the editor

Dear Wilma;

One night last week I went for a stroll dressed in my best femme clothes and this is what happened.

While walking down the street I was approached by a Casanova obviously fooled by my pretty face and good looking legs. He offers to give me a lift. For a minute I was real scared-- but I gave him smiles and says in my best baritone voice "Look bud. You've made a mistake. I'm a cop." Casanova turns pale, Stammers --- excuse me --- jumps in his car and drives off.

I don't know who was scared the most him or I.

D.A. Allentown, Pa.

THE more you listen to political speeches the more you realize that ours is indeed the Land of promises.

Dear Wilma:

In order to bring my voice to a female tone I am now harmonizing with a few female singers like Tammy Wynette - Betty Milder and others. Also just got 2 records of the Andrew Sisters. Well I'm going to try and at least to blend in with them Other TVs should try this also. If any of you other members have tried this drop me a line and let me know the results, Also I'd be happy to hear from others and will answer all mail. I like the new face of the paper. Keep up the good work.

Christina.

Tom T [redacted],  
Riverdale, Md. 20840.

"I was in an Awkward predicament yesterday morning," said a married to a friend.

"How was that?"

"Why, I came home late, and my wife heard me and said, "John, what time is it?" and I said, "Only twelve my dear," and just then the cuckoo clock of ours sang out three times,"

"What did you do?"

"I just had to stand there and cuckoo nine more times."

Dear Wilma:

Here is a Subject for your paper. WHAT TO WEAR? I would advise one to subscribe to one of the better fashion magazines. In time you can become Quite proficient on what colors, styles, etc. to wear. Of the utmost importance, dress ~~it~~ simply and in good taste according to one's age. Pay particular attention how women of your age dress. Merely follow quite Nothing is more foolish than to overdress. Ever age has its compensations. I love shoulder length hair in light shades but at my age it appears foolish. You can still be glamorous as the years pass on. At 40 I now prefer a salt and pepper shade of hair and more matronly styles. I know that at the age of 20 is long gone and I refuse to be morose about it. Accept age and you will be happier.

ALICE. Schenectady, N.Y.

Dear Helen and Wilma;

Received the paper and again I think that you both out did yourselves again. All I can say this gal appreciates it, keep up the good work.

After a 25 year lay off, again I've gone crazy over the game of golf I am now the proud owner of a brand new set of professional clubs. I Just might join the woman's tournament tour. You can by the picture inclosed that there is hardly any difference between me and Paty Burg, we both have golf clubs. I think that I am prettier.

I have one more question for you before closing that is "Do you know the difference between ab Easter Basket And a Bed Pan?"

Y O U D O N ' T ! ! !

Well Baby I'm not going to let you near my easter bassket. By

Sue & Betty.

Jim [redacted]  
Rochester, N.Y. 14622

(you gals out there who are interested in golf. Drop Sue a line. Mabe you can all become the first TV golf team. H A -)



"Our neighbor is ~~PP~~, but John just won't believe it."

Dear Wilma:

At various times I have tried to quit dressing. I would destroy all my femmine clothes. For a while I could forget about it and shut it out of my mind and not be bothered by it. then suddenly as it disappeared it re turned more powerful than before. The desire must be satisfied, I once went on a diet and quit smoking, but let me tell you that the desire for smoking or food at its greatest does not compare with the compulsion to dress.

KIM, RANTOUL, ILL.

This is the year you expected so much of last year.

## From Penthouse May 1974:

**Saturnalia:** Ancient Roman festival held in mid-December supposedly to commemorate the Age of Saturn—Rome's legendary Golden Age. It was characterized by feasting, merrymaking, and sexual license, but its main feature was role reversal: men dressed as women, women as men,

## From Playboy May 1974

Here's a guy who's had a pretty interesting life so far: John Crowther was a 28-year-old British father of three when his first marriage ended in divorce. He asked for a sex-change operation. got it,

called herself Carol and did a brief stint as a woman wrestler. She got tired of that, started dressing as a man, resumed the name John and became a construction worker. Now, after consulting with doctors about reversing the operation, he or she has married an 18-year-old woman.

## Albany Times Union April 27 1974

## 'I was duped,' wife says

NEW YORK (AP) — A Brooklyn salesgirl is seeking an annulment on the ground that the man she married was really a woman.

The wife, identified only as Frances, said in State Supreme Court that she was "duped" into marrying Mark B., her boss in a dress shop, on April 5, 1972.

Only later did she discover he had legally changed his name from Marcia after undergoing operations for removal of breasts and female sex organs, she said. Frances left Mark in January 1973.

Justice Louis B. Heller set no date for final disposition of the case Friday.

## Bartender agrees to be female

ALEXANDRIA, La. (UPI) — Charges of sex concealment were dropped against bartender Charles Ray Williams Tuesday after he agreed to assume a feminine first name, dress exclusively in women's clothes and change his driver's license to read "female."

Williams, 34, who appeared at the hearing in a pink and blue pantsuit and a wide-brimmed pink hat, had been arrested seven times in recent weeks on charges of violating a new city ordinance that prohibits concealment of one's identity or sex.

The law was passed after several men dressed in women's clothes held up stores in the area.

City Attorney Morris Snapiro offered to drop the charges after New Orleans physician James Lorio said the case was a medical rather than a legal concern, since Williams was "without doubt a transsexual."

"A transsexual is a normal person who cannot accept his anatomy," Lorio said. "The problem exists from childhood and dressing as a member of the opposite sex is necessary for such a person, or he may develop a severe psychosis."

Lorio said he made his diagnosis after interviewing Williams for more than five hours. The doctor said he had Williams under treatment and was giving him hormones.

He becomes a her  
Couple splitting  
after sex switch

COCOA BEACH, Fla. (UPI) — Carolyn Ann Eathorne doesn't want to be married to Kathy Ann Eathorne anymore, even if Kathy is the father of Carolyn's five-year-old son.

Carolyn has filed suit for divorce against Kathy on grounds that the marriage was "irretrievably broken" in 1972 when Kathy underwent a sex change operation by Dr. Georges Burou, a gynecologist in Casablanca, Morocco. After the operation she had her name changed legally from Gordon Dale to Kathy Ann.

"It's one of the strangest things, I really don't know how to make out the petition," said attorney Walter Stockman, who is representing Carolyn in the case.

Stockman compromised in a letter to the County Clerk, referring to Kathy in at least one case as an "it."

"Would you please prepare the necessary summons and have service made on the respondent (Kathy) at its home address," he requested.

"It is something that simply had to be done," Kathy said. "Carolyn and I are good friends and I see her and the boy from time to time.

"Neither one of us has had enough money until now to get the thing done right legally," Kathy said. "Technically and for all practical purposes, our marriage was terminated the moment I got off the plane from overseas."

Stockton agreed: "Actually this will be an easy divorce to obtain. I don't see how the judge could refuse to grant the divorce."

Kathy Ann, a former employe of Chrysler Corp. in Detroit, said she now has a boy friend and plans to remarry some day.

Carolyn, who also lives near here, was unavailable for comment.

I'm a Girl, Says Con,  
Seeking Sex Change

Hartford, May 5 (AP)—Karlton W. Hudson may become the nation's first prison inmate to have a sex-change operation as a form of rehabilitation, according to Connecticut Corrections Commissioner John R. Manson.

Hudson, 25, is serving a six-year sentence at Somers maximum security prison on two counts of indecent assault.

He began taking the female hormone estrogen from a physician at Mount Sinai Hospital here last year and now has fully developed breasts, rounded hips and a high-pitched voice.

## Think He's a Woman

"The other inmates think of him as a woman," said Manson, adding that Hudson's appearance and actions are disruptive to the rest of the prison population. Hudson is segregated from the other prisoners, he said.

Hudson, who lived as a female under the assumed name Tina most of his life, said the segregation is unfair because he can't participate in most prison programs.

"I can't be put into the population because I'm Tina Hudson, a transsexual, and they don't know what to do with me," he said.

Hudson claimed four years ago in an unsuccessful federal suit that his classification as a "homo sexual psychopath" caused prison administrators to discriminate against him.

Hudson's request to marry an-

other inmate in 1972 was denied. Both were paroled briefly last year but are now in separate prisons serving out their sentences as parole violators.

"My mother brought me up as Tina. I'm Tina now and I'll always be Tina. I was born a freak of nature, I guess. My sister is a lesbian, just the opposite of me. She should have been born a man and I should have been born a woman," Hudson said.

"I have this problem, like all women do. I flirt a lot, with guards and inmates, but it's playful. I don't mean anything by it. I'm not here to find a man. I just want to serve my time and get out."