#### ADAM'S WORD

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Monthly newsletter of The Adam Society, a non-profit support group for female-to-male crossdressers, transsexuals and their significant others.

Greetings Brothers,

A few months ago I didn't know anyone in this area like myself. Then I met J.P. through a mutual friend. We began getting together informally, resolved to begin our own support group. Since then the word is out: if you're an F to M looking for peer support, friendship, and networking, The Adam Society is looking for you. We have monthly meetings in a safe supportive atmosphere. Dan , Co-Founder

\*\*\* MEETING NEWS \*\*\*

Our July 18th meeting was an informal dinner and planning Carry - out Chinese meeting. provided members a delicious & convenient dinner. Attendance was low, however, we did have a short business meeting. By unanimous vote, it was decided that our group would henceforth be known as The Adam Society. The question of membership dues will be discussed at our next meeting. Further discussion was given to our planning of a female- to- male program at the IFGE convention next March.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Aug. 22, 7 PM NEXT F2M SOCIAL IN NYC: Sept. 9 \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

ATTENTION THEATRE-GOERS: The American Conservatory Theatre of San Francisco has announced that it will perform "Saint Joan" about female-to-male Joan of Arc at the new American Festival Theater in Stratford, CT, August 15-27, 1989.

New: Rudolf M. Dekker and Lotte C. van de Pol, The TRADITION of TRANSVESTISM in EARLY FEMALE MODERN EUROPE (New York: St. Martin's Press) 1989. \$29.95



FEMALE TO MALE TRANSSEXUAL GROUP: FTM. 1827 Haight Street #164, San Francisco, CA 94117:

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Services: Get-togethers held, and FTM Newsletter published quarterly.

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Three members of Adam Society made the trek over to NYC July 29th for the 2nd F2M Social. A fair number were in attendence, including several post-ops. Lots of good networking going on here guys. As usual The Adam Society is sponsoring a car-pool to the next social, Sept 9. Contact Dan \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The XX Club announces a support group on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays for F-M TSs. Write The XX Club, P. O. Box 80690, Forest Park Station, Springfield, MA 01138.

## THE SOUND OF YOUR VOICE

### by Emmon

I came across a tape that might be of interest to other female-to-males. It's Carol Fleming's *The Sound of Your Voice*. It's a cassette version of her bestselling book.

She quotes John Wayne's advice to young actors about what projects as a masculine voice in this country:

"Talk low.

Talk slow.

Don't say too much."

Her research has born this out. By "slow," the Duke meant more space between words. Don't drawl. To this, another researcher adds Lee Iacocca's advice on "The Power Speaking Style,"

"Don't complain.

Don't explain."

On the tape Fleming teaches you how to change the style and timber of your voice and outlines a practice session. I have tried this advice and it works, rather quickly. It takes conscious effort at first but the positive responses from other people more than repay it.

The tape is available mail order from Audio Partners Inc., P. O. Box 998, Burlingame CA 94011, and in book and record stores. Give it a try.

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## FTM VIDEO PROJECT NEEDS YOUR INPUT

Midi Onodera, a Canadian independent filmmaker, is currently in the research and development stages of a video documentary for and about female-to-male concerns. If you have suggestions about the content and form of the project, or would like to volunteer your time for conducting and/or sharing research in your area, please contact M. Onodera Productions, 85A Portland Street, Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5W 2M9; phone (416) 599-0498. Your input is encouraged and welcomed.

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