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schedule for OZZ nights:
saturday, apr. 6 & may 4

6:30 pm to 7:30 pm - Happy Hour

7:30 pm to 9:00 pm - Dinner

9:00 pm to 1:00 am - Cabaret Show
with Rudy

9:00 pm to 2:00 am - Disco

April Meeting

Yes, we will have an April meeting, Saturday, April 20th. Despite the fact that the Board has worked tirelessly putting *Dreamin'* together, they have also organized an April meeting. Think of it as a *California Dreamin'* pre-party.

The Board has tentatively scheduled someone from Cinema Secrets. However, as of press time, this could not be confirmed as that person was out of town.

Regardless, the show will go on at the Best Western Inn on Pioneer Blvd. As always, Dee encourages everyone to attend and for those in the mood, you may want to bring a dessert or something. See everyone there.

Fashion Show / Luncheon

The fresh smell of success — oh, so sweet. Christine H., inhaling the sweet smell of a successful fund raiser (over \$1500 was raised for the AIDS hospices), has organized another fund — raising fashion show / luncheon. The event is sponsored by our own Lydia's TV Fashions along with the transgender-friendly Venture Inn Restaurant.

The production is scheduled for May 18th at the Venture Inn restaurant. Showtime is 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. Tickets may be obtained from Lydia's TV Fashions, 13837 Ventura Blvd., Suite 2, (818) 995-7195 or Venture Inn Restaurant, 11938 Ventura Blvd., Studio City (818) 769-5400.

California Dreamin' '96 San Francisco



April 25 — April 29, 1996

For Registration Information Contact

PPOC/California Dreamin'
P.O. Box 1088, Yorba Linda, CA 92686
Or Call (714) 779-9013 (Leave Message)
E-Mail: Dreamin96@aol.com or PPOC@aol.com

Classic Curves to Round Out San Francisco Convention

Espy Lopez — founder, CEO, chief engineer, head computer nerd, and janitor of Classic Curves — has just informed me (I'm always the last to know) that she will unveil her latest product, DIVA, at California Dreamin' 96.

DIVA is a bust enhancer computer-designed for the cleavagely challenged. It was engineered to complement her other products, the VERONICA 1 and VERONICA 2 hip enhancers.

Unfortunately, when she asked her computer which one it recommended for me, the computer responded: JUGHEAD. She was just kidding — NOT!



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Kinetic Incongruities and "Getting Read"

By Melanie Yarborough, Neutral Corner

Call it *Gender Kinetics*. It's about how women touch each. How close they stand in relation to other women and men. How they smile and laugh. How they hold things. How they eat or sit. Passing isn't just about objective things like beard cover and breasts. It's also about subjective things like motion. The best made-up TV can give the game away with inappropriate movements.

Noon, downtown San Diego near 5th & C Street where there is a lot of pedestrian traffic. She had wavy blonde hair, a black long-sleeved sweater top, a 16-inch, clinging flowered skirt with opaque black hose. Miniskirts draw attention no matter who's wearing them. Now that my interest was piqued, I notice something different about her. Then it dawned on me — it's was a guy!

At first I couldn't define what led me to this. She gave off a certain indescribable "radiation of incongruity." Then I realized what it was — her movements. She had a tense, clipped stride, the way men walk. There was none of the comfortable, loose, fluid motions that women have. Now being crossdressed in public is nerve wracking, I know. But that nervousness transmits itself to body language. And this unease is transmitted to the causal observer subconsciously, if not consciously.

Now that I was examining her closely, I saw her lack of hips and broad shoulders, which clinched it. Let me say that she was not necessarily an obvious read. However, she gave off certain kinetic inconsistencies.

As genetic and social males, we tend to look at the material things while women look at the more spiritual and intangible ones. This attitude carries over into our crossdressing. We focus on type of beard cover, electrolysis, size of breasts, hormones, length of skirt, and

height of heels. But little attention is paid to the ethereal aspects of femininity, such as body language.

You can't "assemble" a female image the same way some male engineers would have it. You have to create it in a truly female way. Woman is as woman does

Classic Curves and CHIC in Cyberspace

By Sarah [REDACTED]

Two new and exciting sites are available for you there. The new sites are: for CHIC:

<http://206.30.183.16/tg/main.html> OR
<http://www.transgender.org/tg/chic/>

The first url is a less-busy mirror site that usually provides faster downloading. Also, the web-master at that site seems to be sharper about implementing the CHIC pages. The second site's url is easier to remember, but it's buggier.

Classic Curves, the L.A. area hip-and-rear-enhancing garment company, is at:

<http://www.cdspub.com/clcrv/>

NOTE: the "clcrv" stands for "clcr-revised". It's a very new site.

As mentioned before, Classic Curves is a L.A.- area company, and will be a vendor at *California Dreamin' '96* in San Francisco. Please check out the site for a look at the results you get as well as for info on Classic Curves' new product, the "Diva".

As always, these pages look best on Netscape Navigator 2.0. AOL users should be aware that AOL's browser stinks, and doesn't do a good job implementing the html rules followed by everyone else. The Classic Curves site has sophisticated features like pull-down menus and text boxes. The CHIC site uses image-maps, which I don't think AOL's browser implements. Need more info? E-mail Sarah [REDACTED] @ [REDACTED]@aol.com, or Classic Curves at classicurv@aol.com



President's Message

by Dee Grady

Since our September 1995 meeting, the attendance for the meetings have averaged between 40 to 50 people. So last March when just barely over 30 people showed up I admit I was a wee bit disappointed.

"Had everyone lost interest?" I asked myself. "Did their enthusiasm disappear in one month?"

No! As it turned out, it was only my own insecurities running amok in my psyche. Let me say I was very proud of those who participated that night.

Why?

Because we raised over \$140.00 for Laura's House, a battered women's shelter in South Orange County! Admittedly, I only expected to raise \$30 to \$40.

Wait, there's more. By the end of the night, my car was so packed with donated clothing for Laura's House of Treasure, a thrift shop whose profits go to Laura's House, that I had to have Diane sit on the trunk as we drove down the freeway (just kidding). Truthfully, when Diane and I took the clothes to the thrift shop, one shop worker exclaimed, "It looks like Christmas! Did someone clean out their closet."

"A lot of us cleaned out our closets," I replied.

In addition, another generous member donated more spare hair to the Los Angeles Wig Bank for cancer victims. In all, everyone made out last month. Laura's House, The Wig Bank, and those of you who had fun during our auction and swap meet.

I want to personally thank two people who planned this activity. First, Tommie [REDACTED], for the idea and the clothes rack. Second, Diane [REDACTED], for finding us a local Women's Shelter. And most of all, I want to thank all of you who donated your unwanted clothes, jewelry, and wigs. It was a fun night. I was very proud!

Hugs to all of you in the Community,

Dee

PS, See you in San Francisco!

No Room at the (Holiday) Inn?

Wasn't this the same situation that one man and his expecting wife ran into about 2000 years ago?

Anyway, as some of you have noted, due to circumstances beyond our control, the Golden Gateway Holiday Inn has been sold out and there are no more hotel rooms available during our event dates (April 25 - April 28). So, rather than put you out by the manger, *California Dreamin' '96* has compiled a listing of other rooming accommodations available in the immediate vicinity to the Holiday Inn. In fact, some room rates are even less than the Holiday Inn!

The following listing was compiled for convenience in selecting room arrangements. All the hotels/motels itemized are listed in the American Automobile Association (AAA) California Tour Book and offer some privileges to Auto Club members. So if you are a Triple-A member, make that known when you inquire about reservations. All the hotels are listed as accepting major credit cards for room reservations. Sorry, but the *California Dreamin'* organizers cannot guarantee the room rates and any availability quoted in the Tour Book.

1. Richelieu Hotel - 1050 Van Ness Ave., (Van Ness @ Geary) \$65-\$89 per night
Reservations - 415-673-4711
2. Quality Hotel - Cathedral Hill - 1101 Van Ness Ave., (Van Ness @ Geary) \$105-\$170 per night
Reservations - 415-776-8200
3. Nob Hill Motel - 1630 Pacific Ave. (0.5 blk off Van Ness @ Pacific) \$65 - \$75 per night
Reservations - 415-775-8160
4. Castle Inn - 1565 Broadway (0.5 blk off Van Ness @ Broadway) \$65 - \$70 per night
Reservations - 415-441-1155
5. Broadway Manor Inn - 2201 Van Ness Ave. (Broadway & Van Ness) \$75 per night
Reservations - 415-776-7900
6. Comfort Inn By The Bay - 2775 Van Ness Ave. (Van Ness @ Lombard) \$99 - \$159 per night
Reservations - 415-928-5000

We're sorry about any inconvenience this may cause, but nevertheless, we encourage you to attend *California Dreamin' '96* for a unique and wonderful gender experience — Joan



QUEENSPEAK

by Joan Goodnight

Let's Go To The Fountain!

I just received the Fountain Theatre's 1996 Season Schedule, and if you are a Tennessee Williams' fan, the Fountain has a couple of interesting programs to present for this summer. Beginning June 25 they are offering 3 BY TENNESSEE — three one-act plays by the noted playwright. Opening on August 1 will be one of Mr. Williams' more pleasant plays, *Orpheus Descending*. We (Powder Puffs) haven't been to the theatre as a group since two summers ago and I think it's high time we do some more social outings besides sitting at Ozz or the Queen Mary (the bar, not the boat).

Besides offering interesting and thought provoking play, the Fountain also presents a series of Dance Programs including Modern, Flamenco, Middle Eastern, and Tango. The Fountain Theatre has been very accepting to our community and appreciative of our business so let's take advantage of their hospitality. I've contacted the theatre's general manager and reserved 30 tickets for Saturday, August 3, 1996 for the performance of *Orpheus Descending*. Ticket prices will be announced in a future issue of the newsletter. Mark the date on your calendar.

BE ALL and then some!

The brochure for the 14th Annual Be All convention to be held in Detroit this coming June 5-9 has hit the streets, and according to the pamphlet, an exciting series of sessions and entertainment has been planned by the hosting groups (Crossroads [Detroit], Chi Chapter [Chicago], Transpitt [Pittsburgh], Paradise Club [Cleveland], and Crossport [Cincinnati]). If you register before May 1st the full convention rate is \$280. After the 1st the rate is \$295. The good news - sort of - is the hotel rate for double occupancy is \$39.50 per room, or \$79 for a single. Information can be obtained by writing:

Crossroads Be-All
P.O. Box 430126
Pontiac, MI 48343
Hotline 1-313-537-3267

Sorry, but no e-mail or web page address was provided. To the best of my knowledge, and I'm sure I'll hear from our gender historians if I'm wrong, the Be All was the first gender event to foster the interchange concept by having organizations in different cities host it each year. The Be All is the model that the Dreamin' organizers used when we first invited the local

organizations to co-host the event and then sought out the participation of the San Francisco Bay Area groups. Fourteen years and counting, what a magnificent record.

Meanwhile In The Southern Climes

Southern Comfort has announced Version 1996 which will be held in Atlanta, GA from Sept. 26 - 29. Convention rates are \$185 for a single attendee before August 15, \$225 thereafter; \$335 per couple before August 15, \$400 thereafter. Room rates are \$62, single or double. For detailed information contact:

Southern Comfort
P.O. Box 77591
Atlanta, GA 30357-1591
(404) 633-6470

E-mail to: phillida@atl.mindspring.com

Web page: <http://www.mindspring.com/~phillida/scctop.html>

OOPS!

It was erroneously announced in the last issue of *Girl Talk* that Ms. Katie O'Brien, Celtic Harpist, would be performing at *California Dreamin'*. The Thursday night entertainment will be provided instead by the ladies of ETVC. *Girl Talk* regrets this error. It seems that some dumb broad by the name of Joan G. didn't tell our erstwhile newsletter editor of the change in plans. To err is human, to forgive is not club policy.

Top Ten Travel List: Romantic Getaways

Chicago Tribune, May 14, 1995

The top tropical escapes for couples, as selected by 100 travels agents for *Harlequin*, the romance book publisher:

10. Sandals Montego Bay, Jamaica
9. Hyatt Regency Kauai, Hawaii
8. Hyatt Regency Maui, Hawaii
7. Cap Juluca, Anguilla
6. Caneel Bay Resort, St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands
5. Ciboney Resort, Jamaica
4. Sandals Dunn's River, Jamaica
3. Enchanted Gardens, Jamaica
2. Sandals, St. Lucia

And the Number One Tropical Escape !

**#1. Golden Gateway Holiday Inn,
San Francisco**

(Just Kidding, see bottom of page 6 for the answer)



Anti-wrinkle drug wins FDA approval

After much debate, Renova — an inexpensive, low-risk way to combat the effects of aging — debuts this month

By Marie McCullough

Taken from the Press-Enterprise, February 6, 1996



Does the acne drug, Retin-A reduce facial wrinkles?

For seven years, the federal government and the manufacturer, Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp., fought over that question.

A year ago, a truce was declared when the Raritan, N.J., company agreed to pay a \$7.5 million penalty for obstructing the government's investigation into whether it had illegally promoted Retin-A for wrinkles.

Now the saga has a new wrinkle: The Food and Drug Administration has just approved the product as a treatment for the rough skin, brown spots and — you guessed it — fine wrinkles that are part of aging.

"They should have done it long ago in a reasonable world," said Albert Kligman, the University of Pennsylvania professor emeritus of dermatology who developed Retin-A. "I think it was a tempest in a teapot. The drug works."

Ortho spokeswoman Lisa Adler didn't want to discuss the tempest: "I have no comment on that. We're just pleased we've gotten FDA marketing clearance."

Ortho Pharmaceutical won FDA approval of Retin-A (retinoic acid), a vitamin A derivative, for acne treatment in 1971. Under federal law, drug companies can't promote drugs for unapproved uses, although physicians are free to prescribe them for such so-called off-label purposes.

Dermatologists have for years prescribed Retin-A not only for wrinkle reduction, but for its apparent ability to help skin that has been damaged by too much sun, the leading cause of skin cancer.

Ortho is marketing its new wrinkle-reducing Retin-A formulation — a 0.05 percent tretinoin emollient cream — as Renova. A 40 gram tube, which lasts four to six months, will be available by prescription this month for \$60.

Initial redness, dryness

While there's no doubt Renova works for most people, it has pluses and minuses, dermatologists say.

Renova is inexpensive, low-risk and do-it-yourself. But it takes months to smooth and plump ageing skin, in contrast to the more immediate results of two newer anti-wrinkle treatments — alpha hydroxy acid skin peels and ultra-pulse laser therapy. The laser's effects are also more dramatic than Renova, because it penetrates deeper into the skin.

Renova initially causes redness, dryness and peeling of the skin. Almost all patients experience these side effects to some degree during the first several weeks of treatment, and the

symptoms often flare up after a six-month decline.

Renova also increases sensitivity to the sun, so patients are advised to apply a sunscreen and to avoid direct sun exposure as much as possible. On the other hand, because the drug appears to affect the way cells grow and change, it may provide protection against skin cancer. Scientists are now investigating this possibility.

Dermatologists and patients have raved for years about Retin-A's ability to bring out a more youthful skin texture and color. Now, even the FDA says those benefits have been scientifically proven.

Studies found that after 24 weeks, about one-third of users showed moderate improvement in fine lines and spotty discoloration, a third showed minimal improvement and a third showed no improvement.

In a 48-week study of 300 people ages 30 to 50, results were even better. Seventy-eight percent showed minimal to moderate skin improvement.

This minor miracle happens at the microscopic level. Kligman and his colleagues found that the drug causes cells in the epidermis — the layer beneath the skin surface — to proliferate and thus thicken. It also decreases the clumping, or keratinization, of epidermal cells; promotes sloughing of dead cells; increases blood flow, and decreases melanin clustering, which causes brown spots.

Dermatologist James Leyden, a clinical investigator of Renova and a colleague of Kligman, said patients normally notice a decrease in skin roughness within a month, a fading of brown spots within eight weeks, and a diminishing of wrinkles within three to six months.

'Educate your patients'

Philadelphia dermatologist Harold Farber said most problems arise from misuse.

"There are people who get into trouble with Retin-A if it's not used correctly. Somebody might be putting it on three or four times a day. And it can be harsh if you put it on wet skin . . . The key is to educate your patients. If they know how to use it appropriately and know what to expect, they'll do fine."

In most cases, the manufacturer says, a pea-size dab of Renova should be applied to clean, dry skin once daily at bedtime. However, patients with particularly sensitive skin have to gradually work up to daily use.

If Renova treatment is stopped, any improvements gradually diminish. However, the safety of using Renova for more than 48 weeks hasn't been established through clinical studies.

"You know you are an accomplished crossdresser when you can put on one heel while standing in the other."



For those of you who have your mail delivered to Outer Mongolia or consider the space station *Mir* as your primary residence, let me inform you that *California Dreamin'* will be held April 25-28 in San Francisco. Now I know many of you may be reluctant to attend. After all, you feel comfortable here in Orange County and may not believe San Francisco is a good place for "us."

But I also realize that many Powder Puff members either grew up in Orange County, or have lived here for so long that they have a somewhat provincial view of Normal. What they may not realize is that what is Normal in Orange County is downright weird in San Francisco — and vice versa!

This is all very understandable. After all, in the 1950s and 60s, Orange County sent Jimmy Utt to Congress. I mean, here was a man who not only saw a Red in every closet but thought fluoridation was a commie plot to undermine the integrity of America. But to Orange County, "He's our man."

And let's not forget John Schmitz, a card-carrying member of the John Birch Society. Orange County sent him to the State Senate. Yes Virginia, this was the same John Schmitz who later bolted the GOP to run for president in 1972 under George Wallace's American Independent Party. When he was asked just how conservative Orange County was, Mr. Schmitz joked that Orange County was so conservative he joined the Birch Society to attract the middle-of-the road vote.

Currently, Orange County is represented in Congress by Bob "B-1" Dornan. Even after Bob Dole has the GOP nomination mathematically wrapped-up, Dornan refuses to abandon the race for the GOP nomination citing the 1 percent of the vote he got in his own home state. I'm waiting for Dornan to tell Dole to get out of the race.

With this in mind, I am reprinting an article I read in the April 2, 1996 edition of the *Press-Enterprise*. The article originally ran in the *San Francisco Examiner*. Hopefully, it will encourage some of you to attend — Cyndi

In "Weird" San Francisco, it's Republican Rare
By Stephanie Salter
San Francisco Examiner

You want genuine, bona fide San Francisco-style weirdness, David Letterman? Then you'd better turn the concept of weird on its head while you are out here in May, doing your nightly show.

What is authentically weird here is not a man in nun drag. It's a Republican.

Weird here is not the identically dressed, platinum-haired, senior citizen Brown twins.

Or sushi in the refrigerator case of every Safeway. Or a president of the Board of Supervisors whose real job is stand-up comedy.

Those are not only cliches in these parts, they're inaccurate if your goal is to show "weird."

To find San Francisco-style weirdness, all you have to do is roam the streets and look for anything that makes you think you are in Normal America — say, back in your hometown of Indianapolis.

Go to Republican headquarters at 540 Van Ness Ave. Ask the people in there — check that, the person in there — just how weird it is to be a Republican in this town.

It sooo weird. Republicans make up 16 percent of the city's registered voters. Every Grayline tour should include 540 Van Ness.

Take the mini-cam out and ask citizens if they know a single San Francisco Rotarian.

Better yet, ask for a local Elks Lodge. You'll get some answers, but not the truth: 460 Post St.

How about weird San Francisco eating places, Dave? No, no. Stay out of Chinatown, away from all those South of Market bistros with black windows. Avoid multi-ethnic joints like the wildly popular Betelnut, which offers a combination of Japanese, Chinese, Korean and organic California cuisine along with — not juice — a full, gin-and-scotch-laden bar.

Go instead to one of the weirdest eateries in Frisco: IHOP.

A common sight in Normal America, the International House of Pancakes is exotic stuff here. We have but two.

The older IHOP is on Lombard Street, in the heart of Motel Row. Disoriented tourists from Normal America flock there each day, knowing they can get a nice, see-through cup of coffee that will remind them of home.

Are you getting my drift, Dave? Great. Let's go buy a gun.

When I was in our home state in December (Terre Haute, pop. 58,000), I needed all the fingers on both my hands to count the places where I could buy a firearm.

Try to find a gun store here in San Francisco (pop. 670,000). If you don't count Paintball Paradise — and why would you? — I believe you have only two options: a pawn shop at 17 Sixth St. and the San Francisco Gun Exchange, at 124 Second St.

See what I mean? Normal is weird here. Weird is normal.

I hope to see you all "sitting by the dock of the Bay" in San Francisco — Cyndi

(#1. Hotel Bora Bora, Tahiti)



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Shana's: Shirely & Faye's designer clothing and fashion accessories. Discount prices. Call 714-854-4562

Lydia's T.V. Fashions, "Where Your Feminine Experience Begins," 13837 Ventura Blvd. Ste. 2, Sherman Oaks, CA 91423, 818-995-7195, M-W 12-7, Th-Sat 11-8

Jessica's Bridal & Formals, Dress making & alterations, Call Maria, 310-862-4437.

My Secret Place, "A Specialty Consignment Store for Size 14+ Women Only," 188662 Beach Blvd., #116, Huntington Beach, CA 92646 (between Ellis & Garfield), 714-963-4743.

Albert's Hosiery Stores, Full-fashioned stockings — special occasion hosiery, 6336 Hollywood Blvd. (Hollywood & Vine) Hollywood, CA 90028, 213-465-2834, mail orders accepted.

Second Time Around, "Distinctive Consignment Apparel for the Upscale Shopper," Jonella Tescone 298 E. 17th St., #B, Costa Mesa, CA 92627, 714-642-4700.

De 'An Drew Designs, Stockings & Pantyhose, 8884 Warner Ave., Suite 172, Fountain Valley, CA 92708.

JEWELRY

Jewels by Parklane, Specializing in the highest quality ladies fashion jewelry — unconditionally guaranteed (ask about our \$100 free shopping spree for \$10), Jeani Adams, 714-533-4662.

Cookie Lee, Fine fashion jewelry — home & office shows, Genie Lalama, 818-246-2197 (by appointment).

MEDICAL SERVICES

Shirely Lampert, M.A., MFC, Professor of Human Sexuality, Psychotherapist, ASSET AND AMERICAN BOARD OF SEXOLOGY. Certified Sex Therapist. Specializing in working with the TS & TV community. (714) 833-7810, 1151 Dove St., Ste 105, Newport Beach, CA 92660

Brad Taylor, M.A., MFCC, 462 Linden Drive, Suite 230, Beverly Hills, CA 90212, sliding scale, free initial consultation

Transgender Counseling & Research Center, 4545 Park Blvd., Ste. 207, San Diego, CA 92116, 619-231-9266, Jan Eder, Psy. D., Educator & Research Director.

Patricia Wojdowski, M.S.W. Licensed Clinical Social Worker, 4926 La Cuenta Drive, Ste. 200, San Diego, CA 92124, 619-292-0492 (by appointment).

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Regal Opticians, 2402 W. 6th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90057, 231-382-7606.

ELECTROLYSIS & SKIN CARE

Kathryn Robbins Electrolysis & Skin Care, located in Yorba Linda, 714-692-2747.

Beach Electrolysis by Gwen & Judy, 350 N. Sepulveda, Manhattan Beach, 310-318-9747.

Electrolysis by Bambi, Dana Point Electrology, 34213 Pacific Coast Hwy, Ste. G, Dana Point, CA 92629, 714-240-7709.

Electrology by Nadine Mae Hill, R.E., Huntington Beach, CA, 714-847-4968, Call for Location

Layla's Electrolysis & Artistic Beauty, Westwood CA, 310-236-1010

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HAIR & COSMETICS

BeautiControl Cosmetics, 121 Timbre, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688, 714-459-1407, Rochelle Abate

Hair to Wear Wigs, 1716 Andreo Ave., Torrance, CA 90501, 310-320-5015, also featuring Joe Blasco Cosmetics.

Sylvia's Wigs, 22722 Lambert Suite 1708, Corner of Lambert & Lake Forest, Lake Forest, CA 714-837-1976

Sylvia's Wigs, 2612 S. Bristol St., Corner of Bristol & Central, Santa Ana, CA 714-545-1307

Jenny's Wigs, 384 S. Tustin Ave, Eldorado Plaza, Orange CA 714-771-3883

Fantastic Hair & Nail Design, 11851 Gilbert St., #105, Garden Grove, CA 92641 (corner of Gilbert & Costco St.), 714-539-8020, Nancy Rodriguez is available on Wednesdays & Saturdays only.

Mary Kay, Terri Davis — Independent Professional Beauty Consultant, 4607 Ostrom Ave., Lakewood, CA 90713, 310-420-9933.

Make-up by Meier, Harry Meier, Makeup Artist, 1743 E. Wilson Ave #6, Orange CA 714-774-2686

SPECIALTY SERVICES & PRODUCTS

Melody Products International, Announces a new catalog of products for your feminine needs coming in September, 1995, P.O. Box 2142, Yorba Linda, CA 92686.

Classic Curves, "Get the Maximum Curvature with a minimum of Effort," foundations by Espy Lopez, 2620 Carson St., Ste 55, 310-549-8787.

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Powder Puffs Rap Sheet

Community Events and Other Happenings — "All Work and No Play Makes Jill a Dull Girl"

On the Local Scene

Places to go, Things to do, People to see.

First Tuesdays

Come Taste the Night at Marlayna's T- Party. Tommy Tang's, 7313 Melrose Ave., West Hollywood. Reservations: 213-937-5733.

First Fridays

Peal — TS support group, 12832 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, 7:30 pm. Call 714-534-0862

First Saturdays

Powder Puffs Night at the Ozz — 6321 Manchester Blvd., Buena Park 714-522-1542. Time: 6:30pm-2:00am.

Ladies Knight Out (Heterosexual couples in a committed relationship only) for information write to: LKO, P.O. Box 19608-0179, Irvine, CA 92713

Second Saturdays

Alpha Chapter of Tri-Ess: Meets at Burbank Holiday Inn. Contact Kathy Helms, 818-352-9448 or Virginia Prince, 213-876-6141 for information and requirements.

Born Free: University Room of Hampton Inn, 1590 University Ave., Riverside. 8:00 pm. Contact Born Free, P.O. Box 3822, Riverside, CA 92519-3822, 909-875-2687 for info.

CHIC: CHIC emphasizes strict security. Meetings are closed except to members and invited guests. Write to CHIC, P.O. Box 8487, Long Beach, CA 90808 for information and requirements.

Second & Fourth Saturdays

"On the Scene Night" and "Fetish Night," presented by Marlayna & Melissa at the Queen Mary Show/Lounge, 12449 Ventura Blvd., Studio City. 818-606-5619.

Third Saturdays

Powder Puffs of California, Pioneer Room of the Pioneer Best Western Inn, Artesia, CA. 8 pm. Contact P.O. Box 1088 Yorba Linda, CA 92686. 714-779-9013.

Club Cherchez La Femme, "Suite Saturday Dance Party" by Marlayna & Tasha at the Executive Suite, 10 pm, 3428 E. Pacific Coast Hwy., Long Beach 310-597-3884.

Fourth Saturdays

Neutral Corner, meets at King's Inn, Hotel Circle, 7:30 pm. Contact P. O. Box 12581, San Diego, CA 92112. Contact 619-685-3696

Second Sundays

The Los Angeles Gender Center, monthly support & informational group meeting for the transsexual (FTM & MTF), transgender communities. The Women's Center, 1512 S. Robertson Blvd., LA. Contact The Los Angeles Gender Center, 310-475-8880.

Tuesdays & Wednesdays

Androgyny, meetings Tuesday nights from 8:30 pm-9:30 pm in Santa Monica, CA; Wednesday nights from 8:00 pm-9:30pm in Riverside, CA. Contact Androgyny, P.O. Box 480740, Los Angeles, CA 90048. Call between 9:00 am-9:00 pm, mention your call is concerning Androgyny, 213-467-8317 (ask for Shirley or Sheila) or 909-360-5584 (ask for Paula)

On the National Scene

From Sea to Shining Sea

Apr 25-28, 1996, California Dreamin', San Francisco, CA, Contact P.O. Box 1088, Yorba Linda, CA 92686, 714-779-9013. E-mail Dreamin96@aol.com

May 18, 1996, Fashion Show/Luncheon, sponsored by Lydia's Fashions and Venture Inn Restaurant, 11:30 am - 2:30 pm. For tickets contact Lydia's Fashions 13837 Venture Blvd. Suite 2, Sherman Oaks, (818) 995-7195 or Venture Inn, 11938 Ventura Blvd., Studio City, (818) 769-5400

Jun 5-9, 1996, Crossroads Be-All, P.O. Box 430126, Pontiac, MI 48343. Call (313) 537-3267.

Jul 24-28, 1996, S.P.I.C.E., Philadelphia, PA. Contact Dr. Peggy Rudd, P.O. Box 5303, Katy TX 77491. call (909) 820-6743 ask for Besti, FAX (713) 347-8747.

Sep 1-8, 1996, Dignity Cruise 7. Contact CRUISE INC., 5111 Rogers Ave., Suite 551, Fort Smith, AR 72903. Call 1-800-247-7021, ask for Brenda.

Sep 26-29, 1996, Southern Comfort, P.O. Box 77591, Atlanta, GA 30357-1591. Call (404) 633-6470.

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