



ETVC

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TINA TANNER
ETVC MEMBER

EMPERRESS XXII OF SAN FRANCISCO !!

Hooray and congratulations to the fabulous TINA TANNER, who has been elected Empress XXII of San Francisco!

Tina (r.) is pictured above with Nancy Ann at her recent Investiture, where Tina appointed Nancy Ann as ETVC's representative to her Imperial Cabinet, thereby reaching out from the gay community to the gender community -- a very special act, indeed!

We are so proud of you, Tina, and thank you for the love and support you've given to us. Good luck for a successful year!

ETVC will participate in the Gay Freedom Day Parade this year on Sunday, June 28th, and hope many ETVC members will join us at the ETVC Booth in Civic Center to help us distribute information on gender issues to the general public. It's really a fun way to spend a Sunday afternoon, too!



The View

From the Chair

KIM'S KORNER

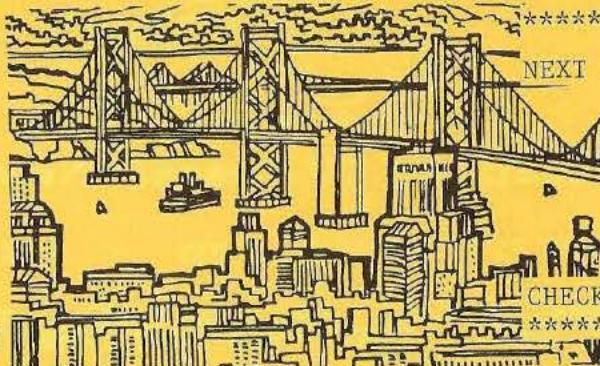
E.T.V.C. PRIDE

As all of you know, E.T.V.C. stands for Educational TV Channel, but it also stands for Exciting, Talented and Very Creative members.

- ★ During the past year, ETVC had numerous firsts that we can all be proud of.
- ★ • 1st member of ETVC to become Empress of San Francisco -- Tina Tanner.
- ★ • 1st participation in the Gay Freedom Day Parade with our booth.
- ★ • 1st ETVC Library started with articles, books and tapes available to members.
- ★ • national and foreign gender club listing compiled by the Outreach Committee.
- ★ • highest attendance at a social: 92 members and guests at Halloween.
- ★ Sometimes as officers of ETVC we lose sight of all the positive things our group is doing. ETVC is still growing from 216 members last year to over 250 this year. The socials average 65 or more members and guests who come from all over the U.S.: from Seattle to Palm Springs, New York to Philadelphia as well as from all over the northern California area.
- ★ At the recent I.F.G.E. Convention, ETVC was considered a leader among gender groups due to our professional manner and quality publications. I hope all of you can sense the ETVC pride instilled by all those who work on the Social, Outreach, Hostess or Special Projects committees.
- ★ Show your pride in ETVC by becoming an ETVC officer. Nominations are April 30th; elections on May 28th. Help make ETVC become the best gender group in the U.S. as an ETVC officer or committee member.

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PARTIES,
MEETINGS &
SOCIAL EVENTS



NEXT SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL BE ON:

TUESDAY, MAY 12

and

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

CHECK WITH SHEILA OR VANESSA FOR DETAILS!!

A SAN FRANCISCO CELEBRATION
Thursday, May 28, 1987

As San Francisco celebrates the 50th Birthday of the Golden Gate Bridge, ETVC celebrates its 5th Anniversary at the Chez Mollet restaurant at 8 PM.

We will be electing new officers at this Annual Meeting to serve from June 1, 1987 through May 31, 1988. Members must be present to vote.

Then the celebration begins! You might choose that lucky number that will win two tickets to San Francisco's theater attraction, "Beach Blanket Babylon", or two tickets for a Dinner/Dance Cruise on San Francisco Bay, or two tickets to San Francisco's wonderful Zoo, or two tickets to spend a great day watching a San Francisco Giants baseball game, or well, I think you get the drift.

Don't miss this very important election ... and then just sit back and get lucky!

Fees are just \$2 for members and \$3 for guests.

PROM NIGHT
Thursday, June 25, 1987

Dreamland dreamland do you remember your prom night?? All the girls in their lovely, sexy gowns, twirling on the dance floor, wearing the beautiful coursages you gave them, filling the air with delicate scents and charming pastel colors

Did your thoughts by chance travel a moment or two into a fantasy, wishing you, too, could be wearing your pink, blue or mint green gown, expressing your feminine charms on that special night?

ETVC's Prom Night is here to make that very wish come true! We'll provide the music, the atmosphere and the coursage; all you have to do is be there and look pretty! We'll choose a prom queen and her court by your votes, and watch the "parade of beautiful girls".

Prom night fees are \$5 members; \$8 guests

SATURDAY NIGHT MID-MONTH SOCIALS

We heard you ... you said you wanted a Saturday night social, so we've scheduled the second Saturday of the month at Chez Mollet for you to enjoy a pleasant evening with the girls -- dining if you wish -- but it is no longer required that you order dinner. We're charging \$3 a person to cover costs. Our pianist, Mark Luko will play requests or singalongs for your entertainment. Here are the dates for May and June .. come on down and join the fun, starting at 8 PM.

MAY 9, 1987

JUNE 13, 1987

The Chez Mollet Restaurant is located at 527 Bryant Street (between 3rd and 4th) in San Francisco. No-host cocktails and dining facilities are available. Dinners are served until 10 PM. If you plan to have dinner, please phone the Chez Mollet at 415-495-4527 for table reservations. Tell them you're with the ETVC group.



TV/TS/TG GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

A CALENDAR OF EVENTS



DATE	- WHO -	— WHAT —	— WHERE —	— OTHER INFORMATION —
APRIL 1987				
30	ETVC	April Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204
MAY 1987				
1	RGA	Social	San Jose	408-256-2599
4	ETVC	Outreach Committee	Redwood City	415-367-0986
5	ETVC	Significant Others Support	San Francisco	415-585-5204
5	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224
6	Pac Ctr	Open Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224
7	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285
8	ETVC	Poker Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204
9	ETVC	Executive Meeting	San Jose	408-243-3919
9	ETVC	Mid-Month Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204
12	ETVC	Social Committee	Foster City	415-345-8752
12	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224
14	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285
15-18		Weekend Event	Pajaro Dunes	408-723-2579
15	RGA	Social	San Jose	408-256-2599
19	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224
20	Pac Ctr	Open Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224
21	ETVC	Couples Social	San Mateo	415-585-5204
21	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285
23	SGA	Social	Sacramento	916-372-5451 or 916-371-8491
26	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224
28	ETVC	May Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204
28	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285
29	Pac Ctr	TV/TS Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224
JUNE 1987				
1	ETVC	Outreach Committee	Redwood City	415-367-0986
2	ETVC	Significant Others Support	Palo Alto	415-585-5204
2	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224
3	Pac Ctr	Open Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224
4	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285
5	RGA	Social	San Jose	408-256-2599
6	ETVC	Executive Committee	San Francisco	408-243-3919
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19	RGA	Social	San Jose	408-256-2599
23	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224
25	ETVC	June Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204
25	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285
26	Pac Ctr	TV/TS Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224
27	SGA	Social	Sacramento	916-372-5451 or 916-371-8491
28	ETVC	Gay Freedom Day Booth	San Francisco	415-585-5204
30	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224

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Reaching Out



This is an exciting time for the gender community. The first IFGE Convention was held in Chicago and we were able to meet and get to know the leaders and members of more than 30 other groups from around the country. With our entourage from ETVC we managed to make quite an impression to the other groups to show that we are a leading group in the community.

The convention was a success in that it's theme "Coming Together - Working Together" was accomplished. The seminars, many of which were conducted by ETVC members brought up many ideas, especially in the area of outreach. In the Reaching Out seminar, moderated by Joan Sheldon, I spoke about the efforts ETVC has made and is currently working on and the many ways to find new members. We are doing OK in reaching those who are actively looking for support but we need to make ETVC more visible to others who are not actively searching for help. To do this we can use all the help we can get. Anyone who would like to work toward this effort or who has ideas on how we can be more effective in this area should contact me.

One of the needs that came up was a central focal point for information to be distributed from. Hopefully this will be part of the IFGE. A toll free 800 number was suggested to be used in any national level outreach efforts, such as the recent Donahue show, so that people from all parts of the country could call in and find the group(s) that are nearest.

In the Networking session, that I conducted, we discussed the ways in which the groups could communicate with each other more effectively. One way is through computer bulletin boards. Paula offered her system, JSS, to be used for a central information and communications system. I am working with Paula to add as much information as possible to the system. So far we have the Group Listing

and Introduction to ETVC. We also plan to have a bibliography and listing of support professionals throughout the country, which is being compiled by Dr. Roger Peo. For those of you with a computer and modem the phone number for JSS is 609-693-8849. To reach the TV/TS section you must log-on with the name April May and the password FRIENDS. After that you will receive instructions to continue. This is one of the most active systems for the gender community. It includes a very active message section as well as other information, the JSS digitized photo section and a monthly online newsletter. The newsletter and some of the articles are written by JoAnn Roberts.

JoAnn is quite active and was on the Donahue show which aired throughout most of the country. It wasn't aired in the Bay Area but, JoAnn has given ETVC a video tape of the program. We will show it at the May Mid-month social for those interested. JoAnn has also written a book "Art and Illusion: a Guide to Crossdressing" with three chapters: Creating Your Face, A Makeup Guide, Creating Your Figure, the Basics of Lingerie Selection, and Creating Your Outer Image, Sizing Clothes. This book provides valuable information for the novice as well as the experienced crossdresser. If you would like to order the book send \$8.00 to Creative Design Services, PO Box 1263, King of Prussia, PA 19406-0885. JoAnn was in the Bay Area last month and had a chance to visit at the couples social. She is starting a group in the Philadelphia area and is styling it after ETVC. She hopes to be back in town this summer and I hope more of you will have a chance to meet her.

As you can see there's plenty of exciting things going on. Become a part of it all. Get involved.

Gloria

Next Outreach Meetings are: May 4th and June 1st.
Call Gloria at 415- [REDACTED] for more information.

RITA GOES TO CHICAGO IFGE CONVENTION

When I made my reservation for the Chicago convention, I decided to go full time as Rita. The magic was there and when the time came, Rita was in high gear! I looked forward to this convention, not as an organizer but one who wanted to get together with other TVs and enjoy the freedom and time as a woman.

I had obtained bonus tickets and had been careful to set my reservation for Rita. At the airport I checked in with one of the agents (I always chose women to negotiate with, as they are less likely to raise a fuss) and upon seeing my bonus ticket she requested picture ID to verify that the ticket was not being misused. Aaack!! I didn't have any except my male-self driver's license. After some fruitless discussion, she called her supervisor and requested advice. Finally, when I pulled out Rita's credit card, she relented, made out the ticket, and let me loose. I caught up with other ETVC convention goers, Kim, Nancy Ann and Ginger. After a pleasant trip we checked in at the Ramada O'Hare. Nancy Ann and Kim got dressed and we went to the restaurant.

At this point one must realize that the hotel people knew exactly who we were and that there was a special convention in town where men were dressing as women. If there is one thing I remember about the hotel, it's the long walk from the rooms to the lobby. That is when I found out which are my most comfortable heels. We were promptly seated in the restaurant and Judy was our waitress that night. Her acceptance of us was fabulous. We were treated just as we looked, and it was marvelous.

After dinner, we went to the disco bar, and we did not go unnoticed. Quickly, several males from among the patrons began inquiring as to why we were TVs and lots of other questions. It was a very interesting night. Yes, we closed the bar!

The convention included several get-togethers, a party and a banquet, along with workshops for the movers and organizers. I would have enjoyed programs for sightseeing, shopping, clothes and makeup. As it was, I went out shopping with my friend Jeanne, and we had a very good time. I did enjoy meeting the many TVs from across the country and several TSs, and it was an exhilarating experience talking to straight people, especially males, who know that you are a TV. I got home without a problem and even wound up talking about being a grandparent with my elderly seat-mate on the return flight.

Would I do it again? Certainly! Same time, same place, next year!

VACATION

ETVC's parties are always fun but, my how the time flies when you're having fun. Before you know it's one or two in the morning and the night is over. Well, if you've always dreamed of living en femme for more than just a night, there will be plenty of opportunities in the months ahead.

The first and closest is the Pajaro Dunes Weekend XII. This is a relaxing weekend for fun and frolic on the beach near Castroville, Ca. There's plenty to do, walk along the beach, go in to town and shop the varied boutiques or just lounge around the sun deck and work on your tan and chat with the other girls. There will be three of the most prominent leaders of our community at this Pajaro: Virginia Prince, Ariadne Kane, and Merrissa Sherrill Lynn. Joan Sheldon is putting this wonderful weekend together now for the 12th time. Costs range from \$100 to \$165 for the weekend with all meals and drinks included. For more information write to: Joan Sheldon, PO Box 7205, San Jose, CA 95150-7205.

The Tiffany Club sponsors the Provincetown Spring Outing on Cape Cod May 26th through June 1st. This provides a week to enjoy the beautiful east coast spring. Provincetown is a charming old village that is very receptive to our lifestyle. The shop keepers and restaurants are friendly and helpful. This is a chance to really get out and enjoy yourself. Of course they also have parties, dinners and a talent show. The Outing fee is \$100 per person or \$150 for a M/F couple. Accommodations run from \$35 to \$65 a night. To find out more about this event write to: Tiffany Club, PO Box 19 Wayland, MA 01778.

June 11th through 14th will be the Be All You Want To Be Weekend sponsored by the Chi Chapter/Tri-Ess in Chicago, the Crossroads Chapter in Detroit, the Paradise Club in Cleveland and Transpitt in Pittsburgh. Last year this was the largest TV/TS event ever held with more than 200 attendees. This year they are extending the weekend with the pre-weekend Be A Beauty activities on the 11th and 12th. This is designed to be a fun and educational experience with classes on wig styling, makeup, exercise, style and poise as well as presentations by Dr. Richard Doctor and Ariadne Kane. It promises to be a fun filled weekend with a nightclub show, talent show and picnic. Rates range from \$200 to \$300 for the entire event. Write to: C. Young - Be All Weekend, c/o Paradise Club, PO Box 29564, Parma, OH 44129

I hope that you'll have time to stop in and say hello to your friends at the ETVC socials in between your travels around the country. Have a great summer.

The Reversible Sex-Change Operation #1
by Cara

I've been a TV since I was five years old. Why me? I don't know. I'm just lucky.

Of course, for years I was devious and didn't dare tell anybody. A boy on my street was sometimes punished by being sent out in his sister's dresses. I did my best to get into trouble with that boy. When this didn't work, I told my parents that being forced to wear girls' clothes was a punishment fit only for boys who did things like break windows. Then I went out to the enormous rock pile I had assembled.

Later I reinvented strip poker so that after losing your own clothes, you had to put on the clothes of the person opposite -- even if that person was a girl.

Other boys worshipped Superman. I didn't think Clark Kent was so great. He walked into a phone booth in a business suit and came out in tights and a cape. Big deal. Look what Chris Jorgensen did in Denmark!

Christine Jorgensen -- her story was printed in the Sunday paper when I was a kid. I was a non-reader the Friday before it came out, a speed reader by the following Monday.

The Christine Jorgensen Story got me searching libraries for information on transvestism. Oh, how many times did I go through "transvaal", hoping to find "transvestite"? Sadly I learned that transvaal was a dead end, a detour and a mirage. No transvestites lived there whatsoever. Thus eventually I found myself in the world of the "adult" bookstore, still searching. Here I had to learn to walk sideways with my eyes straight ahead and my jacket draped over my arm in front of me. But porno was so tacky! I ask you, what was an innocent young thing like me doing in places like that?

- To be continued.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED FOR SIGNIFICANT OTHERS

An excellent booklet entitled "Transvestism, Within a Partnership of Marriage and Families", by Yvonne Sinclair, can be purchased by mailing \$6 to: The TV/TS Support Group (UK), [REDACTED], London E1 6JB, England. Lots of good insights.

IFGE CONVENTION '87/IFGE CONVENTION '89

140 people from all over the U.S. and Canada attended the 1st Annual IFGE (International Foundation for Gender Education) Convention in Chicago from March 4th - March 8th.

ETVC was represented by Gloria, Nancy Ann, Ginny, Kim, Joan, Jeanne, Rita, Ginger and Tara. The convention featured workshops, luncheons, a Saturday banquet and lots of exchanges of information among all conventioneers.

With over 30 gender groups represented, this first IFGE Convention got off to a really good start. ETVC members played a BIG part in making the workshops a real success. Gloria moderated the "networking" workshop, Joan moderated the "reaching out" workshop, Ginny worked on the Significant Others panel, and Kim worked on "How to Form an Organization" as well as the Transsexual workshops.

The featured Luncheon speakers were Dr. Roger Peo, a graduate of the San Francisco Institute of Human Sexuality, and the Convention's Honored Guest -- Virginia Prince, author of numerous gender books and a leader in the gender community for over 30 years.

The Convention wasn't all just workshops though. The Friday evening Talent Show put on by the Chicago Gender Society was a fun event with transvestites, wives and transsexuals all working together to put on an entertaining and delightful show. Rita and Tara from ETVC helped educate the Ramada Inn guests and bar regulars on why they enjoy being part-time girls.

On Sunday, March 8th, the ETVC proposal to hold the 1989 Convention in San Francisco was presented. The Board of Directors gladly selected San Francisco as the host city for the 3rd IFGE Convention. ETVC will play a big part in this Convention but we need help from R.G.A., S.G.A., Pacific Center and G.I.A. to really put on a first class convention. Helping on the Hostess Committee now will be a great way to prepare for the 1989 IFGE Convention in San Francisco.

WE CONTINUE TO GROW!!

We now have 252 members compared to 207 last year, and our bank balance is \$1320. If anyone is interested in being the Newsletter Editor, please call Ginny at 415-[REDACTED]

Our appreciation to the contributors to this month's newsletter -- Rita, Kim, Cara, Gloria, Dianne L., Cathy C., Diahanna, Lou and Liana, and to the Newsletter Committee, Vanessa, Lyn, Susan, Nancy Ann and Martina. You're all great people!



★ MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE JUNE 1
★
★ All memberships in ETVC, regardless of when
★ purchased, need to be renewed as of June 1,
★ 1987 at the annual rate of \$10.00 for a full
★ year of fun and good friendship.

PHOTOS FROM THE I.F.G.E.
CONVENTION

Top left, our Kim with
David (Chicago Gender
Society)

Bottom, Gloria, Kim,
Ginny and Nancy Ann
(Eating Again!?!?)

Other San Francisco Bay Area Gender Support Groups

Gender Identity Anonymous (GIA) is a non-judgemental transgender support group. It meets each Thursday at 8 PM in the Science of Mind Room, 3255 Balboa Street (at 34th Avenue), San Francisco.

The Pacific Center for Human Growth, a counseling-oriented growth center, sponsors drop-in support groups for transsexuals each Tuesday at 8:00 PM. All-inclusive gender support groups meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, and last Friday of the month at 8:00 PM. The Center is located at 2712 Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley.

The Rainbow Gender Association (RGA), formerly the San Jose GGA, meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 8:00 PM at the New Community of Faith Church, 6350 Rainbow Drive, San Jose. RGA can also be contacted by writing: Rainbow Gender Association, POB 700730, San Jose, CA 95170.

MEMBERSHIP IN ETVC

Membership in ETVC entitles you to:

- o a membership card for positive ETVC identification;
- o reduced admission to ETVC events;
- o a free subscription to the ETVC Newsletter;
- o reduced rates for other ETVC publications and services;
- o participation rights as a candidate and/or voter in ETVC elections;
- o participation rights in ETVC Executive Committee meetings;
- o the support and strength of the best gender community on the West Coast!

Membership records are held in strict confidence by ETVC. Membership cards must be shown upon entry at ETVC socials, or non-member admissions will be applied.

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J2CP Information Services provides an information package consisting of pamphlets and literature concerning gender dysphoria syndrome, transsexualism and transvestism. This information package is available at a cost of \$25.00 to cover research, printing, postage and secretarial services. Additionally, J2CP Information Services will attempt to provide referrals to reputable counselors, psychotherapists, or gender programs, and peer groups near your home.

Certified checks or Money Orders should be made payable to J2CP Information Services. Please specify whether you are male-to-female, female-to-male, or transvestite when writing. If transsexual, please provide your place of birth.

**BIG MARCIA'S SECOND ANNUAL
LACING TABLE**

Corset Conference discussion, roundtable and display will be held on Saturday, June 27th, at 2 PM at Chez Mollet.

For more information, call Marcia at (916) [REDACTED]

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