



Fantasia Fair

1982

AN EXPERIENCE TO REMEMBER





Established in 1975, the Institute is a duly constituted non-profit corporation with educational objectives that foster better understanding of gender issues in human sexuality and push back the barriers of ignorance and misinformation. The Institute serves Cross-dressers, Transsexuals, and Androgynes (CD/TS/AN), as well as helping professionals with special programs such as;

1. The Outreach Profession Evaluation and Referral Network (OPERN) to provide nationwide assistance for people with unresolved gender issues, utilizing professionals in their local area.
2. Seminars and Workshops that are in the vanguard of exploring and informing about gender issues in Human sexuality.
3. The Outreach Newsletter, a quarterly journal of current activities and information.
4. A National CD/TS/AN Directory
5. A Book and Publication Service
6. Fantasia Fair, a 9-day living/learning experience for people exploring alternative gender lifestyles. A growth experience.
7. Fantasia Weekends. Learning experiences that take place around the country.

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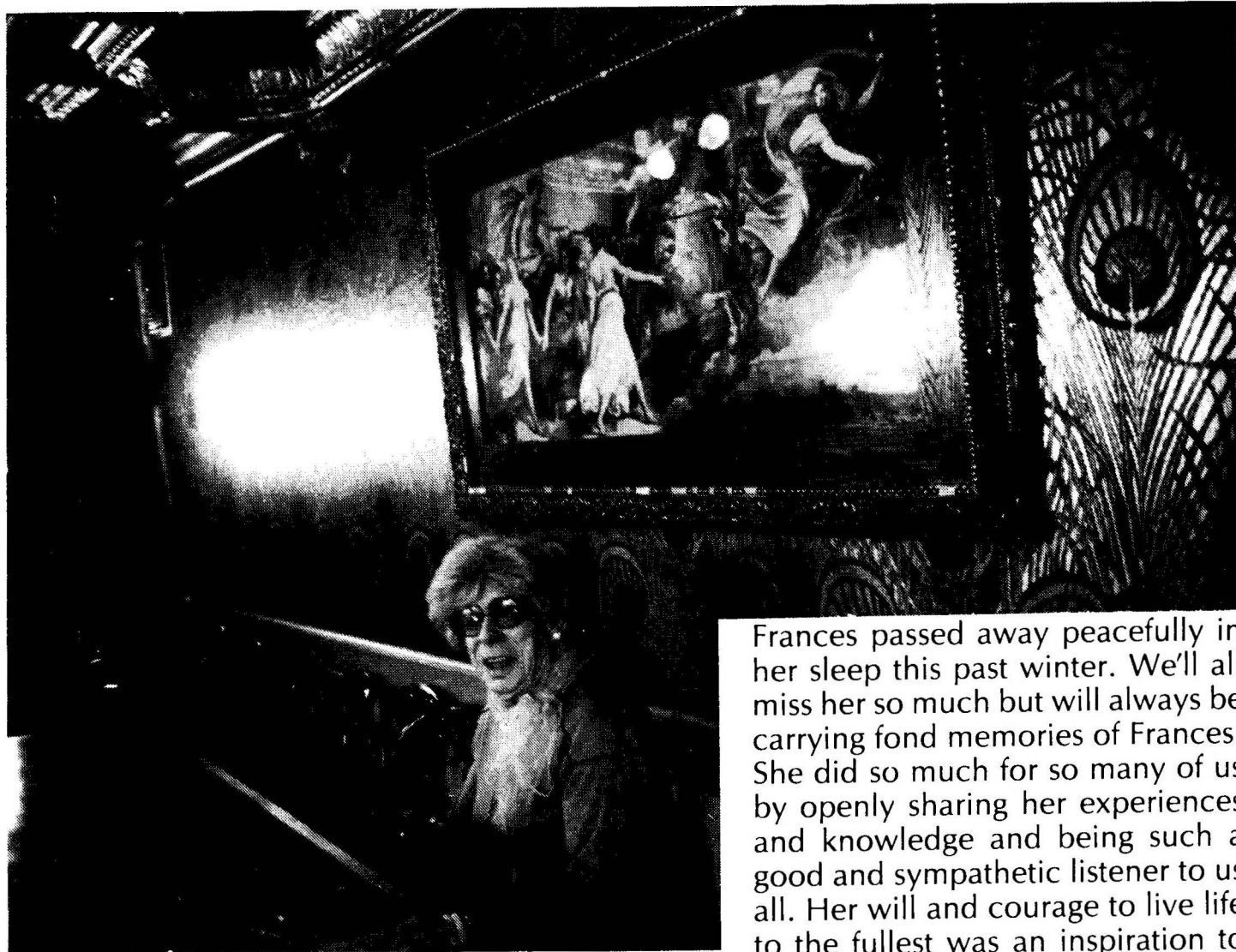
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Ms Frances

"So many beautiful women, and so little time." Frances Gibson, Oct. 24, 1981, upon being named Ms Fantasia Fair.



Frances passed away peacefully in her sleep this past winter. We'll all miss her so much but will always be carrying fond memories of Frances. She did so much for so many of us by openly sharing her experiences and knowledge and being such a good and sympathetic listener to us all. Her will and courage to live life to the fullest was an inspiration to us all and we know that Frances has left us having fulfilled her dreams.

Gibby



Service Award



Ms Elaine



Ms Linda



Stan Sorrentino – Outreach Award – Rachia



MS FANTASIA FAIR 1982 –

MS . JANNA



Awards Banquet



Ms Cinderella – Ms Priscilla



Ms Best Dressed – Ms Ann



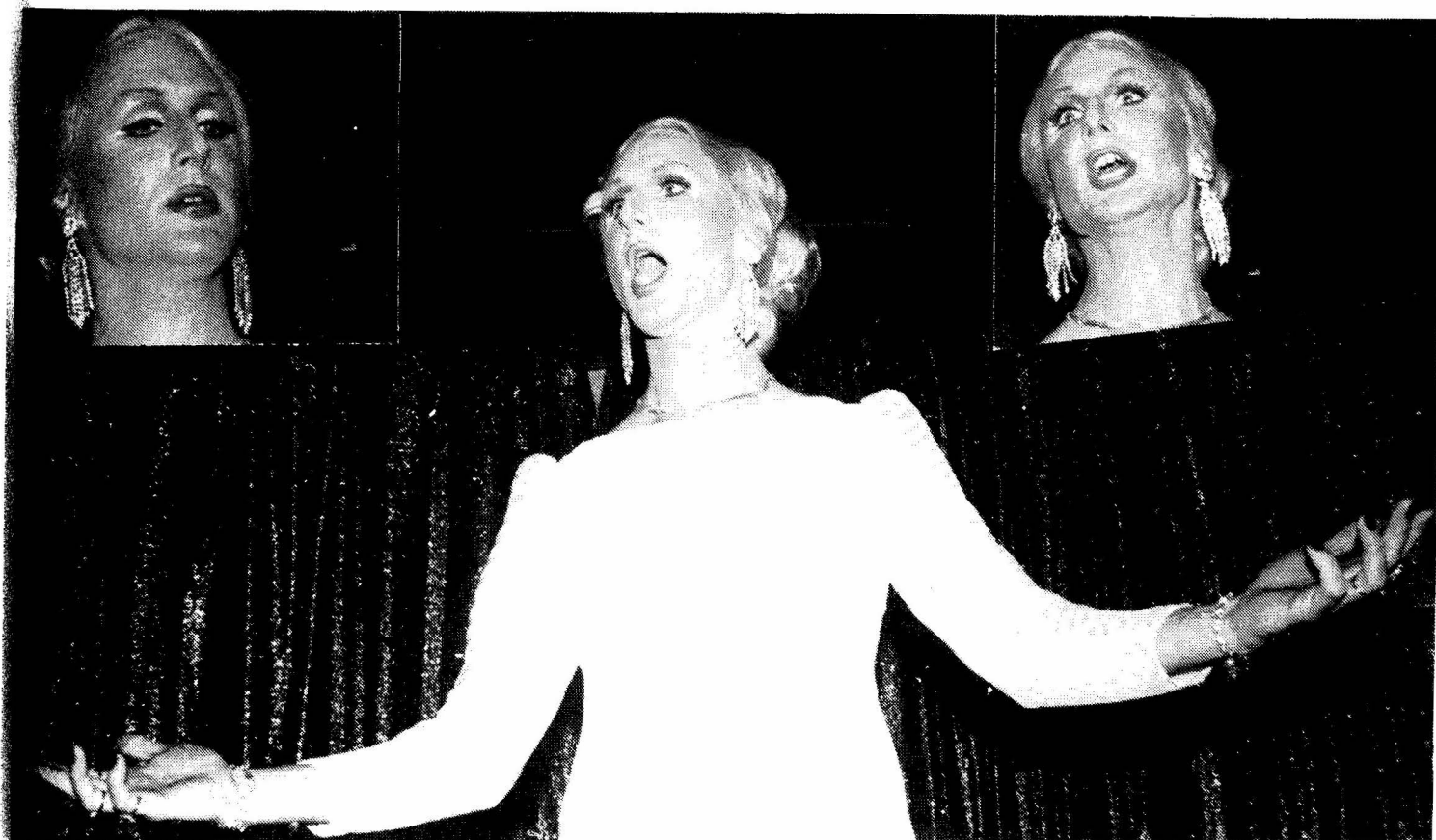
Ms Congeniality – Ms Eve



Ms Most Helpful – Ms DD Jones



Ms Femininity – Ms Sandy



Evita – Ms Michelle Williams



GOD BLESS AMERICA AND ESPECIALLY P TOWN



Georgeous Ms Priscilla



Shirly Temple—our Ms Jamie



"You can't imagine what he said to me"



"These lips will never tell."



Ms Betty White of TV TV News



Ms Paula rolls out the barrel



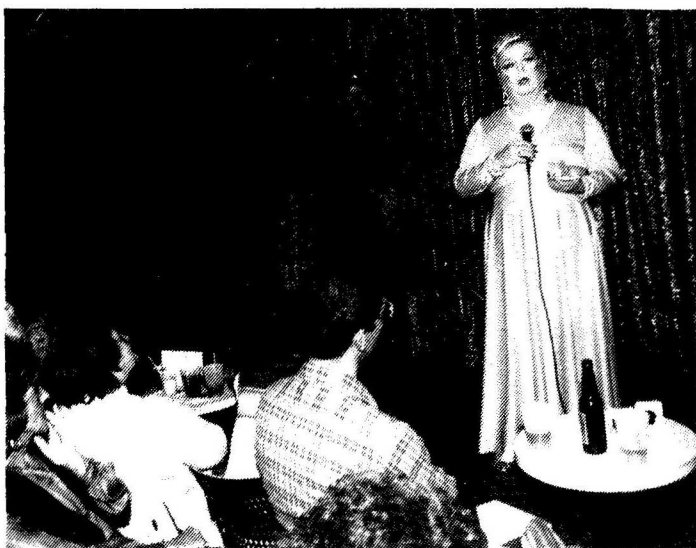
La Latina – Ms Heidi



Marlene Dietrich – Ms Eve



A Knockout – Ms Ramona



Fan Fair

Ms Betty Ann Lind put together the most successful show in the history of the Fair. Rave. Rave. Professionally, artistically, aesthetically this was a great show, with some touching moments, laughs and appropriate, meaningful content.



"Oh . . . Monroe . . ." Ms Betty Ann

Follies

The Gals are getting so good we are afraid we'll lose them to TV. So many people made such energetic contributions to make this all happen. But most of all we have to recognize our gals that got out there and performed for such an appreciative public.



ms jana



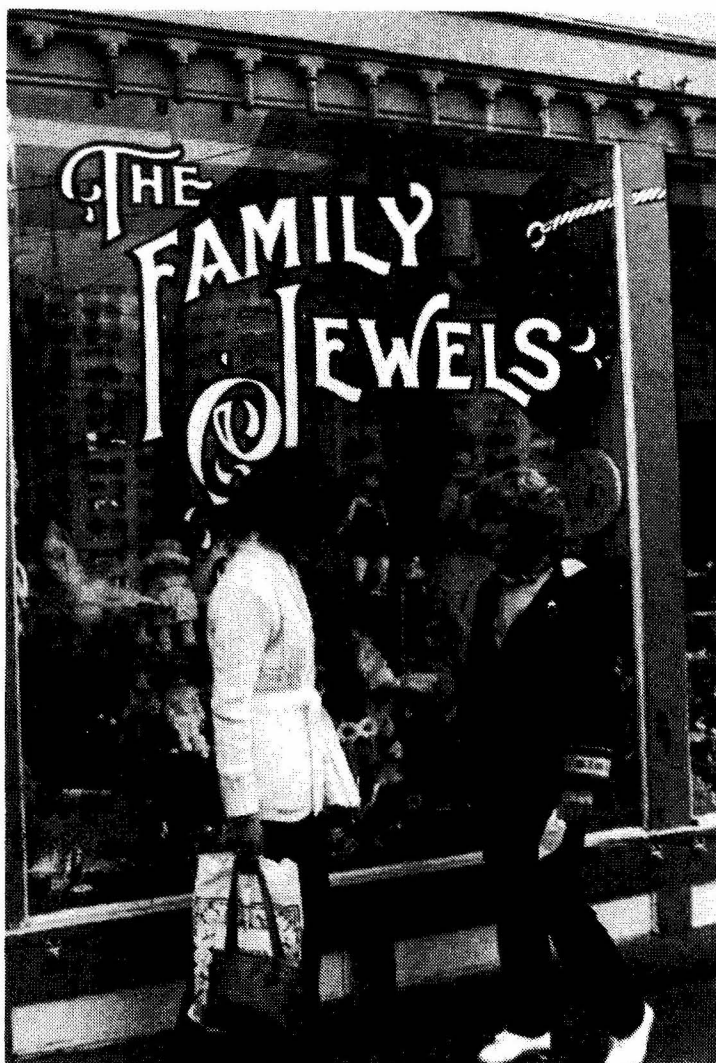
Rock 'n' Roll - Ms Eileen



A kiss is worth a thousand words



Ms Ariadne thanks
Glenn for excellent
Gifford House Meal





"Haven't I met you somewhere before?"



Lovely and Sexy – Ms Jane



Ms Joan takes home the prize in Ms PTown Contest

Bathing Suit Review



"To the pool, girls."



What legs! — Ms Sandy



Used "TV" Auction

Ms Dorothy



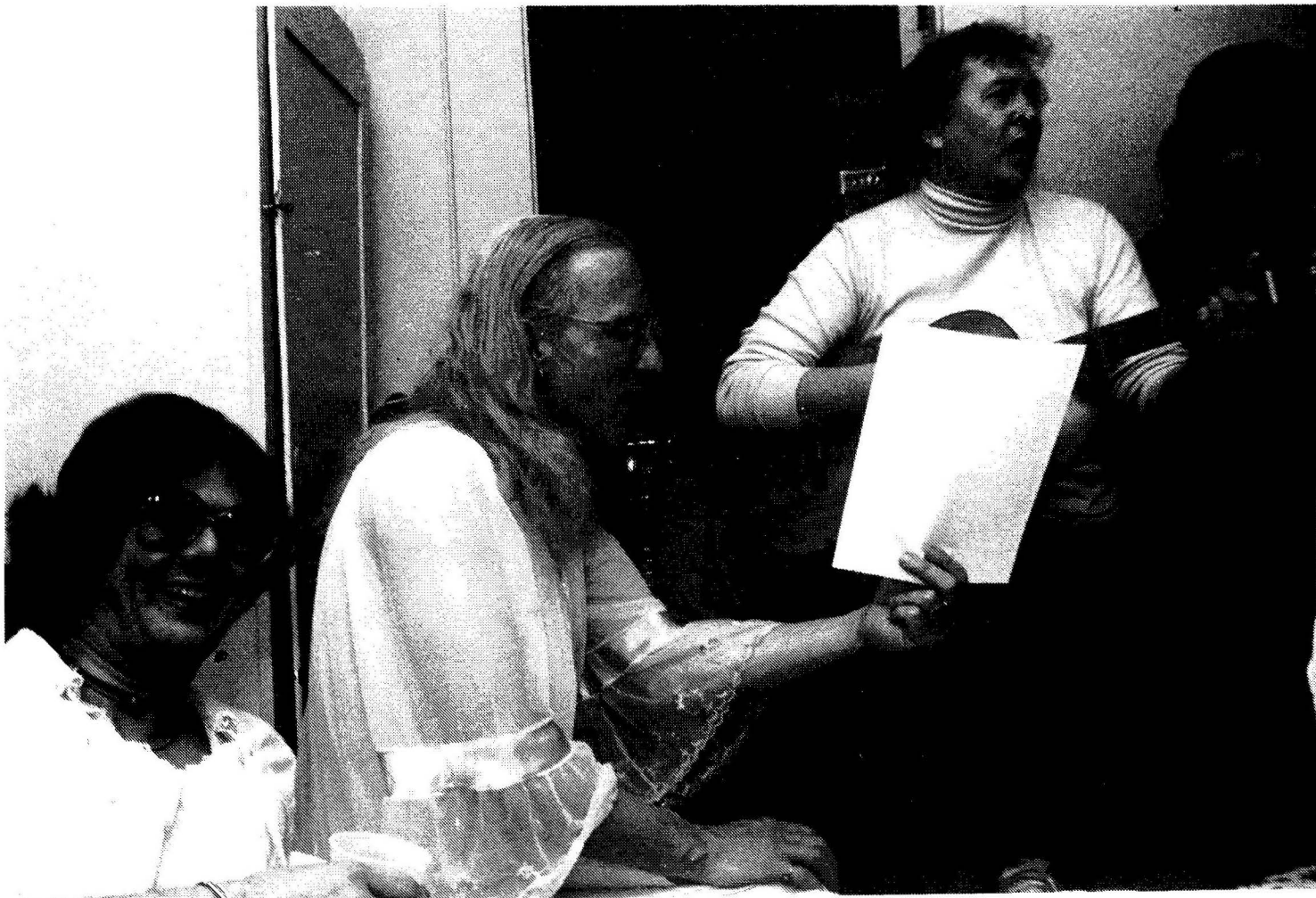
"He asked so nicely. What should I do?"



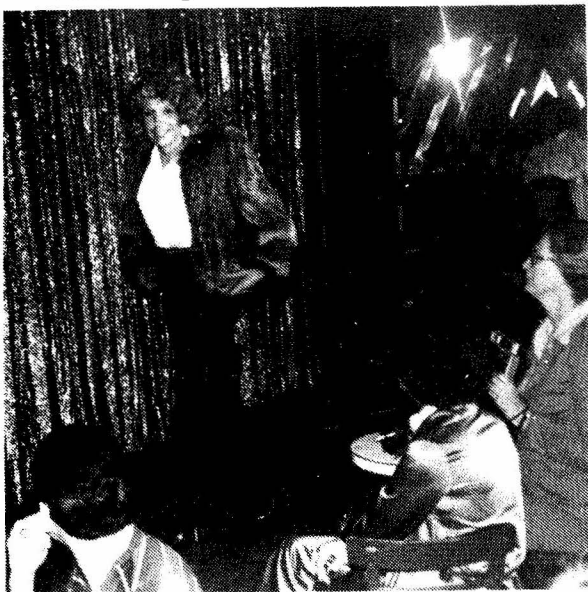
"As soon as my hair dries . . ."

The P.J. Party

Sharing and comparing and just keeping going, the gals that just don't need any sleep unite each night with Ms Betty Ann and Michelle to chit chat the night away with laughs and music.



Pure designer lady – Ms Cathy Lee



Real Beauty – Ms Suzanne



"I love the nightlife" Ms. Dianne

"So much glamor, and so little time." The local audience was treated to a great potpourri of outfits, styles, Haute fashion, and leisure wear displayed with the usual grace and elegance of the Fan/Fair Gals.





Ms Naomi introduces our gracious
Mistress of Ceremonies Ms Eve

Fashion Show



Understated Elegance – Ms Sandy



Elegant and Lovely – Ms Heidi

"You want me to show you my . . .?"



This is a happy gal – Ms Edie



Ms Wendy gives impromptu church concert



Ms Linda gets the job done 15

TOWN & GOWN



The gals really pitched in to make this whole program get off the ground, as we all renewed town friendships and met new folks.



Mr Acker of the Church Restoration Fund

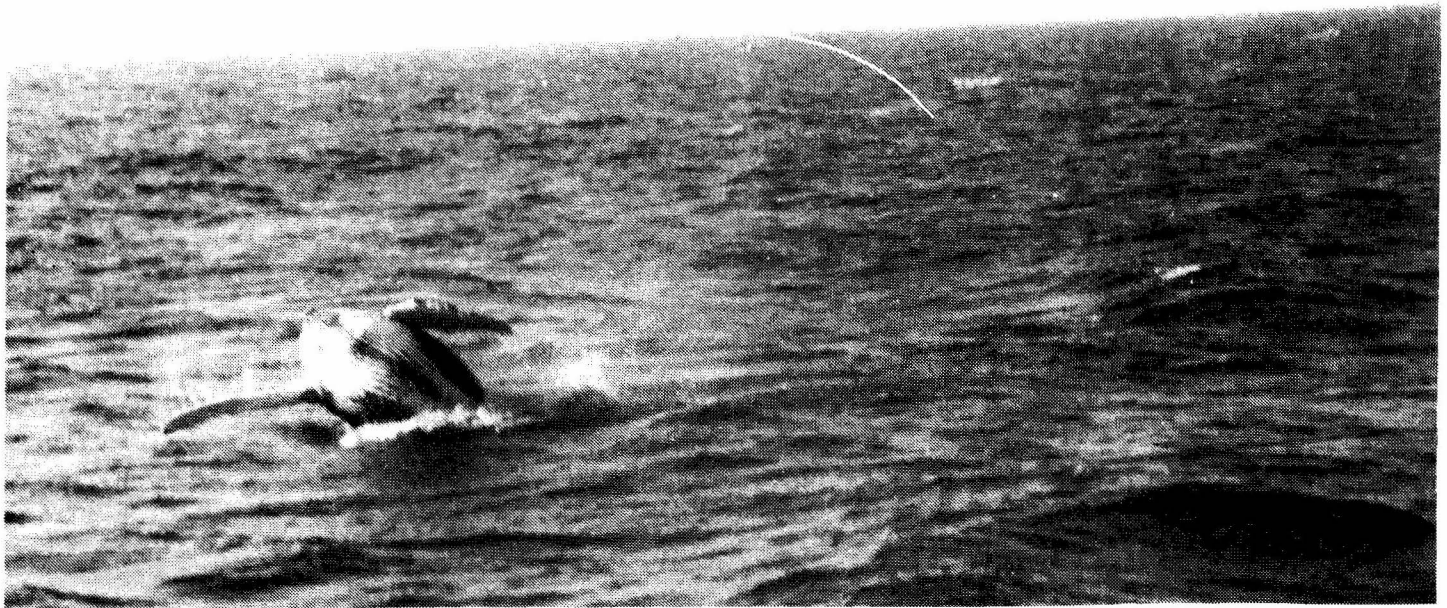


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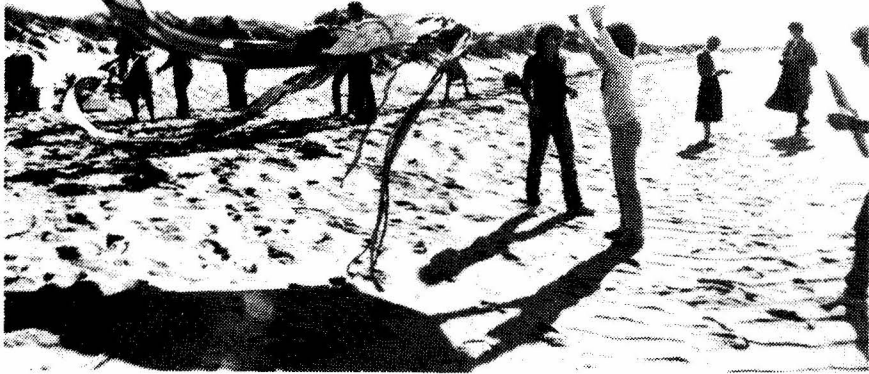
This Outreach Benefit drew rave reviews from all, even our only gal that gets seasick. Mingling about with anticipation was amply rewarded by the ecstatic excitement of spotting the whales.





*"You hear the one
about Moby Dick?"*

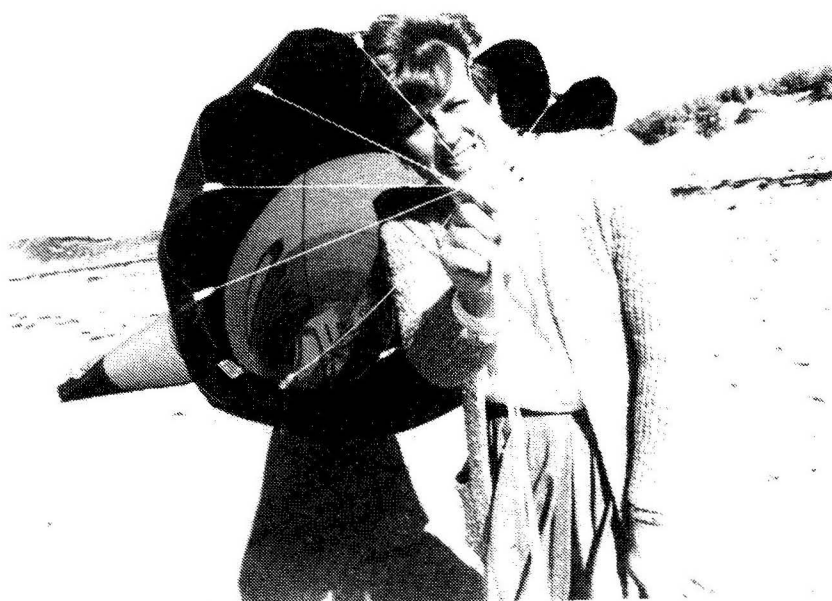




"I love outdoor activity" Ms Jane



Outermost Kites put on quite an event and Mother Nature cooperated with a beautiful beach day. The gals really got into this one and enjoyed a lovely picnic lunch.



This is the Soul of the Fair. You're only half way there when you move and look great. The educational components of the Fair stimulate and help participants understand themselves and feel as great about themselves as they look. Professional experts and Fairgoers share and exchange a vast area of information, knowledge and experiences.



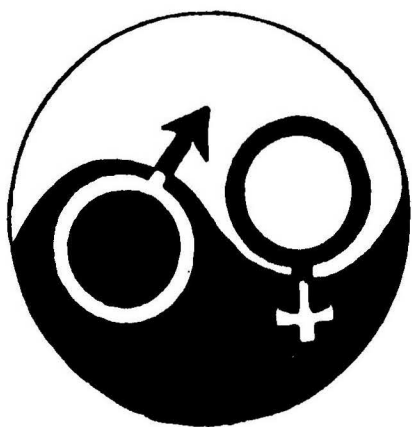
V begins Androgyny Awareness Workshop



"If you can move like me, you'll be free."

The Seminars

"An unexamined life has no meaning." —Socrates



Ms. Janna [redacted] & Ms. Naomi of
Legal Seminar



Ms Betty Ann Lind & Ms Ariadne Kane

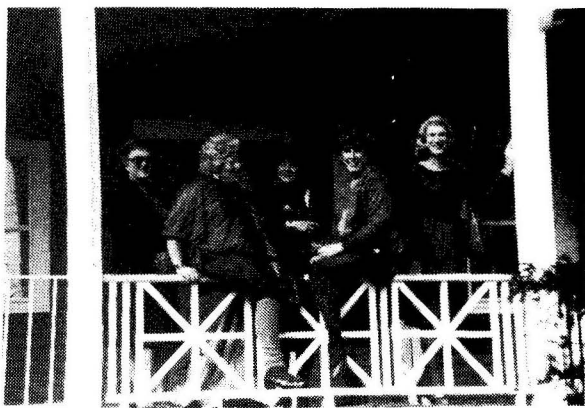
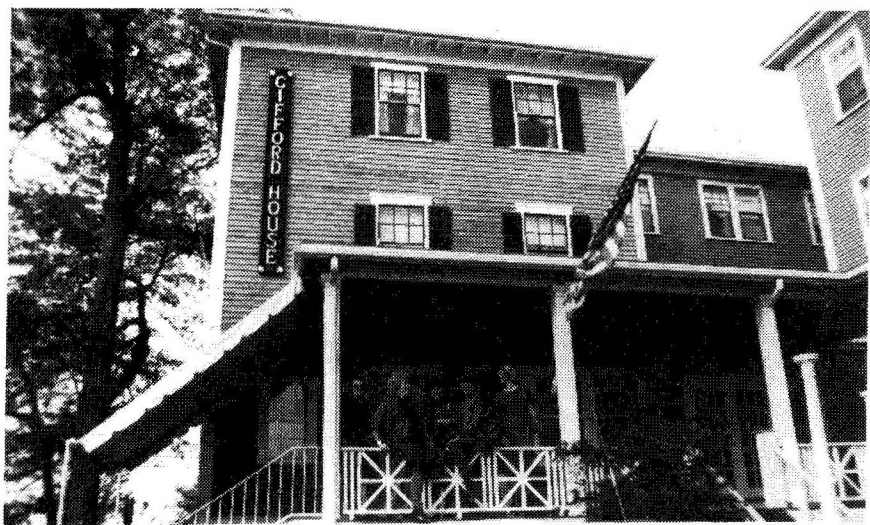


We can't promise a motherhood experience for all Fair Participants



"Are you sure that girls ride sidesaddle?"



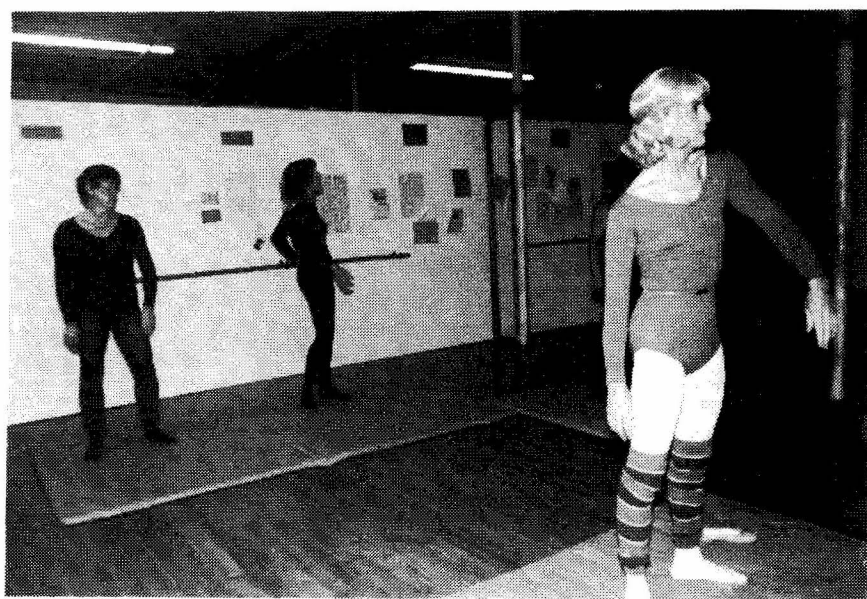


The charming Victorian Hotel has never before been graced with such beauty.



"Honestly, the C & A is not just for party girls."





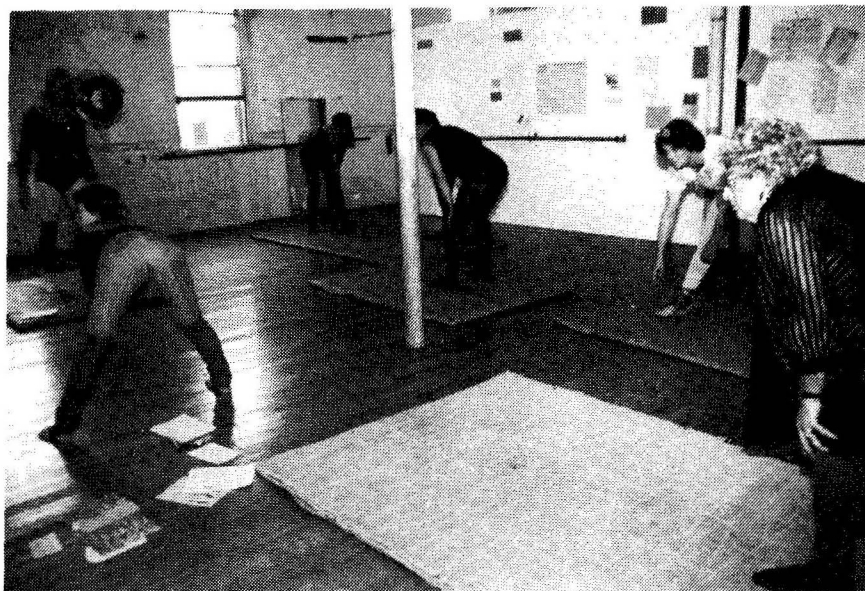
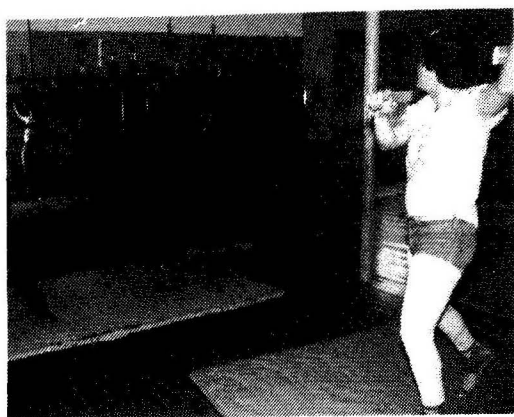
"My mama never taught me to move like this."





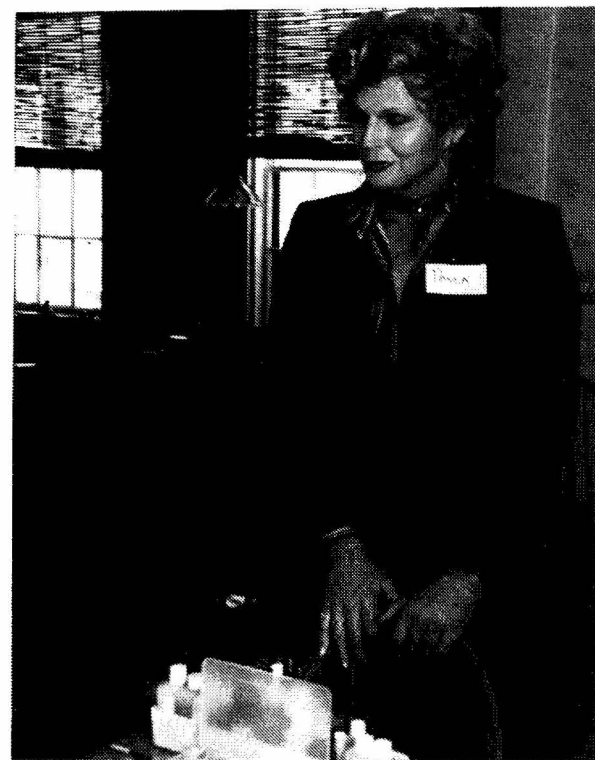
AEROBICS

Its great to look like something but we all have to learn to move within that girdle. This year's innovative program of Aerobics really helped us all loosen up and move more comfortably and gracefully.



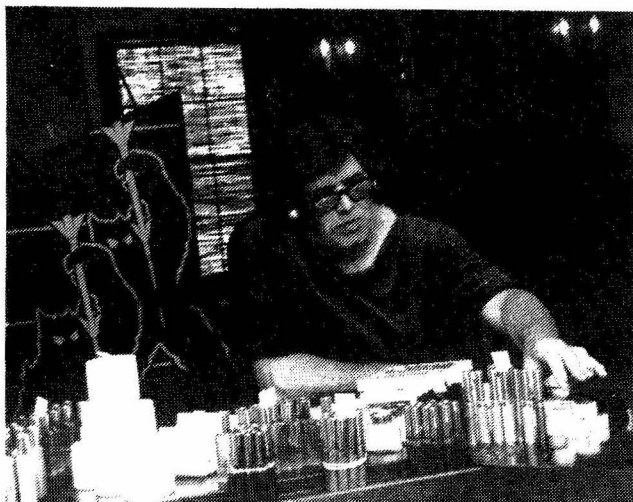
"You sure this isn't football practice"





Ms Paula begins the Fashion & Beauty Course





Make-up consultant Ms Joan begins her magic

"Just a little dab will do you"

Make-up Clinics, Wig styling, Comportment, and Beauty Classes start right off at the Fair to add to each participants image as a first step in getting it all together. We all seem to pick up a pointer or two during this process and it shows as the week goes on and the standards of presentation just seem to get better and better.



Registration

Participants arrived to the warm welcome of Registrar, Ms. Delores Carter and Fair Hostesses, eager to get them set up in their accommodations so that they could join into the program.



Orientation

The welcome and greeting of the local police department is always a great start to each year's orientation. A real Highlight. Then we go into the wide variety of programs offered during the Fair.



HISTORY

Some of us decided we needed something for this paraculture. We wanted a hospitable setting where we could conduct workshops and seminars, have boutiques, Fashion Shows and Talent Shows and for an opportunity to experience an active social life "en femme".

Provincetown proved to be such a place and in 1975 with a little seed money and large expectations we planned the first Fantasia Fair. Negotiations seemed endless. However, all the obstacles were surmounted and the Fair began October 15th with 30 participants. The program included a Fashion/Beauty Course, a Fashion Show, numerous mini-boutiques, a Film Festival and the Awards Banquet. It was a huge success. And it has grown each year.

Since that year there has been a Fantasia Fair every October in Provincetown. This year will be the ninth. Participants now come from all over the United States, Europe, Canada and Mexico. And each year seems better than last.

Each year a different coordinator and staff works to make the Fair a reality. Among those without whose hands and hearts we would not have had Fantasia Fairs are Betsy Shaw, Paula Neilson, Linda Franklin, Rowena [REDACTED] and Ariadne Kane. Space does not permit us to thank in print the many people who have been gracious and helpful to us.

PREFACE

The 8th Annual Fantasia Fair was held in Provincetown, Massachusetts from October 15th to the 24th, 1982. Each Fair develops a character of its own and this year the theme that seemed to emerge most was "a sense of community." So many people gave of themselves to make each of the many events and activities a real joy for us all. The delight of sharing experiences with new found "sisters" and renewing long standing friendships and getting out and doing things together created 9 full days of the highest, most intense level of excitement. Again we all seemed to learn so much and grow so much in such a short period of time. And such Memories. Well, here to keep it all fresh in your mind is a pictorial selection of some wonderful moments from the 1982 Fantasia Fair.

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