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THURIN SCHMINKE ON "BECOMING A MAN"

APRIL 20, 1993!: WOW: It's been one year to the day since my first shot of Depo-Testosterone. The pain, pretense, and denial of being a male has ended. My dream is coming true. In one year, I have grown from being a boy to a man. God has given and taken away many things during that period, and, for all of them, I am grateful.

The difficulties and pains of growing and the heartbreaks most men usually have a lifetime to learn about and understand, I had to accomplish in one year in order for me to come close to achieving a chronological age catch-up. At the same time, I had to be able to stay in the "here and now". I woke up each morning as the same person inside, but with a new person developing on the outside. "What would today bring?" I would ask myself; "What new things are going to happen to me and how will I handle them?"

Physically my body has adjusted to two major operations (bilateral mastectomy with free nipple graft and a complete hysterectomy) and the male hormone, Testosterone, is changing my body's secondary characteristics. I never imagined that I could learn to inject myself, but today, I do it with ease. I am no longer the helpless, weak, vulnerable, 120 pound, shy person I was a year ago. Today, I am an emotionally strong, 150 pound, muscular male and I am free.

In the past year my body has gone from male puberty through adolescence to young adulthood. As the year has gone by I have grown a small beard, hair on my belly and chest. The latter is important to me because it will cover the scars from the operations. My weight gain is from muscle build-up. It is true that there have been growing pains in every muscle in my entire body, but the results are worth it. My shoulders have expanded along with the rest of my muscles especially those in my arms and legs. The surface of my skin is becoming coarser. My chest is developing rather nicely as the body fat re-adjusts itself.

Emotionally I am slowing maturing into a young man. This has been the hardest area to face because I have had to

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Dear Dr. Wollman:

I am a pre-op female transsexual. My understanding of the female-to-male procedure is first: if the patient has sufficient mammary gland development to request a mastectomy; second: the removal of the uterus and ovaries; and third: is the creation of an artificial phallus. I also understand that I or any transsexual must take hormones.

There are things that are not perfected. I would like to know the specifics of everything. My questions are: (1) Exactly how is this procedure done; (2) Will I be able to urinate properly?; (3) What is the latest technology?; (4) Will I be able to feel sexual sensations?; (5) Is it true with current operations, that I or my partner will have to pump one of the testes in order to have intercourse?

Thank you. Steve H.

Dear Steve;

All the statements in the first paragraph of your letter are correct.

Answers to your questions are: (1) Fourteen pages would be needed to reply to this questions; (2) Yes, you will be able to urinate properly; (3) Ten pages with diagrams and photos are required to answer this properly; (4) Not in the prosthesis; (5) This is one of many alternatives. Leo Wollman, M.D.

Dear Dr. Wollman:

I have a question regarding progesterone therapy in conjunction with estrogen therapy in a M/F TS. I have not been able to ascertain from my physician or through my own reading whether there are marked benefits in using progesterone with estrogen for a pre-op TS. Some literature seems to contradict other literature on the subject so I'm hoping an endocrinologist who has experiences in treating transsexuals can answer these questions.

Once And For All:

Does progesterone act as an anti-androgen in a pre-op M/F TS?

Does progesterone promote breast growth in a pre-op M/F TS?

Do you feel that progesterone is a useful (if not necessary) hormone to use in the treatment of a pre-op M/F TS? Sincerely, Courtney Eckler

Dear Courtney;

Progesterone is not indicated in the treatment of a pre-op male-to-female transsexual.

In answer to your first question - No, progesterone acts as an anti-estrogen; progesterone does not promote breast growth; progesterone is not ever used by me in the pre-op feminizing treatment of a M/F TS. Leo Wollman, M.D.

Dear Dr. Wollman:

What is your advise on employment? I have looked for work without success. My experience is that of a clerk and buyer. Is it advisable to tell the prospective employer I am transsexual or should I keep that to myself?

I have had one job for about five weeks. I have gone fulltime in my hometown and rumors abound. I strongly suspect the rumors got me dismissed although it was never mentioned. Kim.

Dear Kim;

If you are comfortable cross-dressed, apply for a job as a female (if you are of male gender) and do not tell that you are a transsexual.

This does not apply if you have to fill out application papers requesting sex (M) or (F) "to circle which applies". Leo Wollman, M.D.

Dear Dr. Wollman:

Where can the "breast fulfiller" that was mentioned in a recent issue of TSV be obtained? Sincerely, Sheryl Ann Taylor.

Dear Sheryl

The doctor's name and address is : Dr. Rachael Copelan, 999 N. Doheny Dr., W. Hollywood, CA. 90069 Tel. (310)274-4801

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For immediate release

Beware of Forged or Inappropriate Documentation for Sex Reassignment Procedures

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Two years ago, we advised caregivers that we had learned that some individuals seeking hormonal therapy and surgical sex reassignment were using forged referral letters and HIV test results. We continue to receive reports of this, and are once again advising helping professionals of this continuing problem.

Advisory

We believe that it is very important that providers of medical and psychological services confirm the authenticity of supporting documents in persons requesting hormonal and surgical sex reassignment. We strongly urge surgeons, endocrinologists, psychologists, and other service providers to closely examine all supportive letters and test results, and to verify them by telephone or mail contact. HIV tests should be independently done, if possible.

We urge those who are seeking sex reassignment to adhere to the Standards of Care of the Harry Benjamin International Gender Dysphoria Association and to provide accurate, complete, and truthful information to their service providers.

The Problem

Because of their often desperate desire for anatomical congruity, transgendered persons, who are typically required to provide written authorization for medical procedures, are at risk for exploitation by unscrupulous persons who are willing to furnish credentials for cash. The widespread availability of desktop publishing software and high resolution laser printers makes it relatively easy for almost anybody to produce attractive, authentic-looking documents which purport to be from therapists, physicians, or medical testing laboratories, and which authorize sex reassignment procedures or report negative HIV status— but which are totally without merit. It is equally easy for another person to substitute for a person who tests positive for the virus.

aegis (e'jis), *n.* 1. in Greek mythology, a shield or breastplate used by Zeus and later, by his daughter Athena; hence. 2. a protection 3. sponsorship; auspices.

Discussion

Sex reassignment is a complex process, and hormonal therapy and especially surgical sex reassignment are intrusive treatments which cause permanent change. Minimal Standards of Care have been established by the Harry Benjamin International Gender Dysphoria Association, Inc. These Standards protect both the consumer and the service provider, and are widely adhered to by the treatment community. They require that hormonal therapy not be begun unless an individual has met the DSM III-R criteria for transsexualism, as documented by a licensed mental health professional (clinical behavioral scientist) after at least 90 days of therapy.

Sex reassignment surgery should not be done before the individual has lived and worked or gone to school productively in the gender of choice, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for more than one year. This real-life test, as it is called, has proven to be the best predictor of successful surgical outcome. To fulfill the requirements of the Standards of Care, real-life test must be documented by at least two letters from clinical behavioral scientists, one of whom must have a doctoral degree. Both should have special training and expertise in the theory and treatment of gender dysphoria.

Hormonal and surgical treatment without compliance with the Standards of Care greatly increases the risk of posttreatment regrets for the consumer and the risk of malpractice lawsuits for service providers.

Service providers receiving letters authorizing hormonal therapy and especially sex reassignment surgery should take pains to establish the validity of the consumer's claims by obtaining a consent for release of information and then checking information with family members, friends, and employers (in a way which does not reveal the transgendered status of the individual to those who do not know). The word of the individual is no guarantee that he or she actually has any experience in living in the new gender. An inability or unwillingness on the part of the consumer to demonstrate that the Standards of Care have been followed makes it much more likely that there will be postsurgical regrets.

Because of risk of transmission and the likelihood of reduced immune system functioning, HIV-positive status presents significant surgical management risk, and is generally considered to be a contraindication for any type of elective surgery. While sex reassignment surgery is not purely elective, there is rarely an immediate medical need for it, and some surgeons choose not to operate on those who test positive for the virus. Other surgeons make decisions about surgery on a case-by-case basis. In all instances, the surgeon must have accurate test results in order to make treatment decisions which safeguard the well-being of the patient.

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change my behavior to be in line with the social roles that are acceptable. I can't kid with the girls like I did as a woman because I do not want them to think I am coming on to them. Referring to the article, "Are we having sex now or what?" which was written from the female perspective, I find, being male, I no longer have the feelings and attitudes expressed in this article. To me, sex will start when I hug a woman with passion. I know having sex with a woman will be only when there is a conscious, consenting, mutually acknowledged pursuit of shared sexual pleasure. I never had these feelings when having intercourse with a man when I was a woman.

In the past year, I have had to accept the responsibilities that a man has in our society. I have to look at just what is appropriate behavior between two or more men. Whether or not to touch or shake hands or just when it is correct to kid around when in a group, are some of the situations that had to be considered. These social norms have been the roughest to accept.

Mentally, as a male, I am relaxed and at peace with myself. The war is over! Now the outside male secondary characteristics will complete the change over. I must be patient and thankful. God has been very good to me. I am becoming a whole person. I was able to feel, think, love, be considerate and patient with others throughout the misunderstandings that arose during my change.

My mental state has been the easiest to slide into because my male insides are no longer being hidden or stuffed. I am free!!

Spiritually, my soul has been born again. My life was on hold for nearly thirty-six years. I am coming out of that hard-core shell with which I protected my maleness. I am able to love as I always wanted to love and be loved as I always wanted to be love. My sex and gender are now the same. I am no longer in the wrong body faking the right gender role. In just one short year, I find myself in the right body, right gender and right gender role. I took the heat. Thank you God!

Thank you for sharing Thurin. This is the kind of articles that readers of the TSV want to read.

Good luck and please continue to share with us; Phoebe.

Schedule

Registration will take place from 6:00 to 7:00 PM Friday, February 4, and the Conference will end at 4:00 PM Sunday, February 6. The schedule of events will be set before the Conference based on the workshops participants offer. Time without scheduled activities will be included to accommodate those who wish to dilate, meditate, walk by the ocean, take a nap, exchange back rubs, or whatever without missing workshops. The hot tub and sauna will be open at scheduled times on all three days.

Cost

The cost of the weekend is \$250.00, which includes double or triple accommodations, all meals from a light supper Friday evening through lunch on Sunday, the use of the hot tub and sauna, and all workshops. A limited number of single rooms are available for an extra charge of \$25. A nonrefundable deposit of \$100 is required at the time of registration, and the remainder is due January 20, 1994. All payments will be refunded if the conference is canceled due to bad weather. We hope to have some scholarship money available. If you need financial assistance, please call us at 508-386-7737.

Are you...

- is excited by the challenge of personal growth
- is a therapist or educator who addresses gender issues
- is a feminist and is dissatisfied with separatist philosophy
- is transgendered and dealing with issues of community

If so, the *Full Circle of Women* conference has particular relevance for you.

Registration

Space is limited, so it is important to sign up early. Registration by December 31, 1993, is strongly encouraged. If you are planning on attending but can't register by that date, please call us.

Information

For further information on any aspect of the *Full Circle of Women* conference, contact:

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Full Circle of Women



A radically different,
politically incorrect
exploration of
what it means
to be a woman...

February 4-6, 1994
Essex, Massachusetts

It is time

for a reformulation of feminism, for a philosophy that embraces all women—not just those who are politically correct, not just those with a certain sexual orientation, not just “genetic” women, not just those with vaginas, but all who identify as women. *Full Circle of Women* is an opportunity to leave genderphobia behind and take a step toward an expanded vision of who women are and where feminism is going.

We will examine the varied terrain our paths to womanhood have led us through. We will ask on what common ground those paths converge. What do we share in our souls that leads us to experience our lives as women? Can we free ourselves from patriarchal doctrine enough to encompass our tremendous variety? What power can we tap with diversity that can't be touched with uniformity? What unique gifts can we bring to feminism?

For those who have been excluded from women's events, *Full Circle of Women* is a chance to include ourselves in women's space. For those who have taken womanhood for granted, it will challenge all our assumptions about gender. Nothing like this has happened before; it will be a ground-breaking experience for all who participate.

Workshops

We come together as experts on our own lives, to teach and learn from each other. Participants are invited to facilitate workshops, ceremonies, and other events. Many forms can be employed: discussion, movement, demonstration, ritual, music, theater, readings, slides, massage, etc. Some possibilities are:

How Many Genders Are There?

Body Image

Beyond Separatism: The Next Step for

Feminism

Transgendered Gods/Goddesses

She/He/It? What to Do About

Pronouns

Is a Penis a Barrier to Womanhood?

Vision of a Genderless World

Clothing as Gender Advertisement

Male Energy—What Is It?

Prejudice Among Women

Poetry Sharing

Can Sexual Orientation Change?

Gender Activism

Alternatives to Surgery for

Transgendered People

Coming Out as Transgendered

Androgyny in Our Lives

Women-Only Space: Do We Need It?

Womanly Virtues Reclaimed

Sexuality and Relationships

Participation

Full Circle of Women is for woman-identified individuals living their lives as women—transgendered, nontransgendered, transsexual (preoperative and postoperative), and intersex people living as women. Participation by women who identify as lesbian, bisexual, heterosexual, asexual, or other-sexual is encouraged. Women of all colors, shapes, and sizes are welcome. If you are not sure whether this conference is for you, please call us at 508-386-7737.

Location

Full Circle of Women will be held at the Essex Conference Center and Retreat in Essex, Massachusetts, a 45-minute drive from Boston. The Center is secluded, its two modern buildings set on 18 acres of peaceful woods adjacent to 250 acres of conservation land, within walking distance of the ocean. The Center features a hot tub that holds 12 people and a wood-fired sauna that accommodates eight. Bathing suits are optional. Wonderful, healthy, mainly vegetarian meals are prepared by the staff and served in a family-style dining room. Special dietary restrictions can be accommodated.

Dear Editor;

I would be obliged if you would bring the following to the attention of your readers. I am currently a Visiting Fellow in the Department of Geography, University of Southampton (UK), and I am canvassing for information connected with research that I am engaged upon. This research involves a comparative analysis of female and transvestite beauty competitions, and is concerned with publicly structured presentations of the female persona. I am keen to hear from organizers, participants, and audiences of beauty competitions, with regard to the way in which they are structured, the aims of the participants, and the expectations of the audiences. I am aware that many transvestite beauty competitions take place across the USA every year, but it is obviously difficult for me to keep in touch with the events. I hope to conduct a comparative analysis of beauty competitions across three continents, including the USA, Italy, and either Thailand or the Phillipines.

Your readers might also like to know that I am compiling a data base on transvestism/transsexuality, for academic research purposes and private collectors, and would like to hear from interested parties.

All correspondence will be treated as confidential.

Yours faithfully,

Dr. V.M. Amadouy, BA, MPhil., PhD.
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Dear Phoebe;

I was wondering if anyone out there has gone on to adopt a family as a mother? I wondered if there were rules or severe "red tape" that worked against them. Motherhood is very dear to me but unfortunately not available naturally. I would appreciate any responses about this. (Please forward them to me through Phoebe.)

A second question I had was for the medical department. I have often wondered if the female organ (uterus, ovaries, etc.) of one person could be transplanted into the male-to-female transsexual patient. Or perhaps, could the testicles of a male be donated to a female-to-male person? Is this perceivable at all? Stanley Biber mentioned a possibility of this occurring on a recent "Geraldo" show. I would be more than willing to donate my male organs in an exchange with a willing female-to-male hysterectomy and TS patient. I look forward to a published response or letter.

A third thing I'd like to say to Phoebe is "Thank You" for all you're doing. I appreciated your state-by-state information efforts even though it didn't work out. Readers beware that we all need to join together if we want to help one another! We must all try to maintain a positive outlook because things aren't always going to go our way.

Best Wishes Everybody.

Stephanie Danielle
c/o Phoebe

(Stephanie, I hope you receive response; I think a lot of people will be interested in reading it.)

PLEASE NOTE: Dr. Dorn has been ill. Hopefully, we will have something from her for the next issue. Please continue to send your questions to Dr. Wollman and Dr. Dorn (to be answered in TSV).

TAKE IT

One day at a time

"There are two days in every week about which we should *not* worry — two days which should be kept free from fear and apprehension.

One of these days is *yesterday*, with its mistakes and cares, its faults and blunders, and its aches and pains.

Yesterday has passed forever beyond our control. All the money in the world cannot bring back yesterday. We cannot undo a single act we performed. We cannot erase a single word we said. Yesterday is gone.

The other day we should *not* worry about is tomorrow.

Tomorrow is beyond our immediate control. Tomorrow's sun will rise, whether in splendor or behind a mask of clouds. But it will rise. Until it does, we have no stake in tomorrow.

This leaves only one day — *today*.

Anyone can fight the battles of just one day. It is when you and I add the burdens of those two awful eternities — yesterday and tomorrow — that we break down.

Let us therefore live *one* day at a time." □

— Author Unknown

PERSONAL LISTINGS

STUNNING PRE-OP TRANSSEXUAL SOUGHT - BY HANDSOME MID-30'S EXECUTIVE BODY BUILDER, 5'11", 180 LBS, NONSMOKER, LIGHT BROWN WAVY HAIR, AND FLORIDA TAN. SINGLE, WELL EDUCATED PROFESSIONAL, FINANCIALLY SUCCESSFUL, ENJOYS CITY AND COUNTRY LIVING; FINE DINING, CONCERTS, THEATER, SHOPPING, AS WELL AS HIKING, AND EXPLORING NEW ENGLAND. WOULD LOVE TO SHARE LIFE'S JOYS WITH AN INTELLIGENT, VERY FEMININE, HEALTHY, WHITE OR ORIENTAL SPECIAL LADY, 20'S TO EARLY 30'S WITH VERY HIGH STANDARDS WHO LOVES ADVENTURE AND VALUES A CARING RELATIONSHIP. N.Y., N.J., CT. PREFERRED, BUT I ALSO TRAVEL EXTENSIVELY ON BUSINESS. BRIEF NOTE WITH PHOTO GETS MINE IN RETURN. JAY, P. O. BOX 2882, DANBURY, CT. 06813 (203-778-6302).

WHITE MALE-TO-FEMALE PRE-OP (5'4", 110 LBS., 27 YEARS OLD) SEEKS FINANCIALLY SECURE MALE (OR FEMALE-TO-MALE TRANSSEXUAL) OVER 30 WHO IS LOOKING FOR COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP IN SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA. PLEASE NO ALCOHOL, DRUGS, TOBACCO. ANGELA, POB 1485, HAMMOND, LA. 70404.

SINGLE , WHITE MALE; 42, 5'9", DARK BROWN HAIR AND EYES, GEMINI WITH A TOUCH OF TAURUS, VERY SANTA LIKE. ENJOYS FISHING, THE OUTDOORS AND COUNTRY LIFE, LIKES CLASSIC ROCK "N" ROLL, CLASSICAL AND COUNTRY MUSIC, ANTIQUES AND HIGH PERFORMANCE CARS. SEEKS FOR FRIENDSHIP, CORRESPONDENCE AND POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP, A VERY FEMININE, PASSABLE, POST-OP OR PRE-OP MALE-TO-FEMALE TRANSSEXUAL VERY NEAR THEIR OPERATION, 18 - 35, CAUCASIAN OR ORIENTALS, WITH LONG HAIR BELOW SHOULDERS A PLUS. I AM VERY OPEN MINDED AND UNDERSTANDING AND HAVE A LOT OF LOVE TO GIVE THE RIGHT WOMAN. PHOTO APPRECIATED BUT NOT NECESSARY. BOB, 605 COLERAINE RD., BALTIMORE, MD. 21229.

SLEEPLESS IN KENTUCKY - YOUNG, LONELY CROSSDRESSER; INTELLIGENT AND FEMININE SEEKS YOUNG MASCULINE CARING AND SINCERE MALE FOR FRIENDSHIP OR POSSIBLE RELATIONSHIP. PLEASE WRITE TO NIKKI % TSV.

WHITE MALE, 42, 5'11", 160 LBS, WANTS SERIOUS RELATIONSHIP WITH SINCERE TRANSSEXUAL. RACE DOESN'T MATTER; AGE OR WEIGHT NO PROBLEM. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MEET A CLEAN DISCREET MALE FOR GREAT TIMES, GIVE ME A TRY. I'LL TREAT YOU LIKE A LADY. SEND PHOTO AND PHONE NO. TO: SAM S., P. O. BOX 35, TATE, GEORGIA 30177

SINGLE, WHITE, MALE-TO-FEMALE, 30'S, DESPERATELY SEEKING WOMANHOOD; UNFORTUNATELY LIVING AS A MAN. VERY MUCH A WOMAN INSIDE, WISH TO GO ON HORMONES AND LIVE AS A FEMALE. LIKE TO HEAR FROM OTHER MALE-TO-FEMALE TRANSSEXUALS (PRE-OR OR POST-OP) FOR CORRESPONDENCE AND POSSIBLE FRIENDSHIP. SINCERELY ONLY. NOT LOOKING FOR SEXUAL PARTNER. JOHANNA S., P. O. BOX 15A, HADDAM, CT. 06438-0154.

SINGLE, CANADIAN ASIAN MALE, 34, 5'4" TALL; SINCERE, CARING AND HONEST MALE WHO FEELS TRANSSEXUALS ARE SPECIAL UNIQUE PEOPLE WHO HAVE A LOT TO SHARE IN LIFE. WOULD LIKE TO ESTABLISH A FRIENDSHIP LEADING TO POSSIBLE LONG TERM RELATIONSHIP WITH AN ASIAN PRE/POST-OP TRANSSEXUAL 5'6" OR SHORTER. SHE MUST BE 100% PASSABLE, HORMONE ENHANCED FIGURE STRONG ASSET. I AM A FINANCIALLY SECURE PHARMACIST. FOR THE RIGHT PERSON I MAY BE ABLE TO HELP WITH EXPENSES. PLEASE WRITE WITH PHOTO (WILL BE RETURNED) TO: NORMAN, 9304 174th STREET, EDMONTON, ALBERTA CANADA T5-T3C6

WHITE MALE-TO-FEMALE PRE-OP (5'4", 110#, 26) SEEKING (1) FRANK DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE AFTER EFFECTS OF CASTRATION FROM PRE-OP TS'S AND/OR TG'S (non-op's WHO CROSS LIVE FULL TIME) AS WELL AS NAMES OF SURGEONS IN NYC OR NEW ORLEANS/BATON ROUGE; (2) FINANCIALLY SECURE MALE OR FEMALE-TO-MALE TS OVER 30 WHO IS LOOKING FOR A COMMITMENT, PREFERABLY IN NYC; (3) CORRESPONDENCE FROM ALL TS'S. PLEASE NO RACISTS OR HOMOPHOBES. ANGELA, 496A HUDSON STREET, SUITE K101, NYC, N.Y. 10014

GOOD LOOKING STRAIGHT SINGLE WHITE MALE, 39 YEARS OLD, 6', 189 LBS. WANTS TO MEET MALE-TO-FEMALE TRANSSEXUAL FOR DATING AND A RELATIONSHIP. YOU WON'T BE SORRY - MARK, BOX 24741, COLUMBUS, OHIO 43224.

FEMALE-TO-GAY MALE TV/TS OVER 45, ENJOYS GREEK PASSIVE AND IS SEEKING A GREEK ACTIVE MATE; AS A BOY I PASS TOTALLY. I'M ONLY 5'3" AND COMPACT; TRIM BUT STURDY WITH A CLASSIC HANDSOME APPEARANCE AND I LOOK LIKE A FEM BUTCH BOY. I AM NOT A LESBIAN. BAMBI, P. O. BOX 563, VOORHEES, N.J. 08043.

SINGLE WHITE MALE, 26, WISHES TO MEET OR CORRESPOND WITH AND/OR DATE A TRANSSEXUAL EITHER PRE-OP OR POST-OP. I WOULD LIKE TO BE FRIENDS AND MAYBE MORE. PLEASE WRITE AND INCLUDE PHOTO. ALL ANSWERED. J.R., P. O. BOX 17111, MEMPHIS, TN. 38138.

SINGLE INDIAN MALE IS INTERESTED IN A LONG TERM RELATIONSHIP WITH A POST-OP OR PRE-OP TRANSSEXUAL. PLEASE INCLUDE PHOTO. REPLY TO WALTER RIDLEY, P. O. BOX 7321, KETCHIKAN, ALASKA 99901. WILL REPLY TO ALL.

39 YEAR OLD TALL, BEARDED, BORAD-SHOULDERED MASCULINE WHITE MALE, POLITICALLY AND SPIRITUALLY ACTIVE, SEEKS CORRESPONDENCE AND FRIENDSHIP WITH F-T-GM TS, PRE-/POST-OP. I ENJOY THE OUTDOORS, WINTER SPORTS, MUSIC, THE ARTS AND WORKING ON MY TRUCK. HAVE A BUSY ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL LIFE AND AM LOOKING, IN THE LONG TERM, FOR A COMMITTED, LOVING COMPANIONSHIP WITH THE RIGHT PERSON. PLEASE WRITE TO E W K, 87 WOODWARD AVE, GLOUCESTER, MA. 01930.

NEW TO CAPE COD AREA. ONLY MINUTES AWAY FROM HYANNIS. THIS MWM IS 43 YEARS YOUNG; IS CLEAN, VERSATILE, GOOD LOOKING AND VERY DISCREET. I'M SEEKING TRANSSEXUALS ANY AGE OR RACE FOR FRIENDSHIP AND OCCASIONAL ENCOUNTERS. I WOULD LIKE TO MEET THAT SPECIAL "GAL". SEND DESCRIPTIVE LETTER IN A SASE. P/P HELPFUL. TRAVELERS WELCOME. WRITE TO :J.H. P. O. BOX 80 FORESTDALE, MA. 02644.

I WOULD LIKE TO MEET A FEMALE-TO-MALE TRANSSEXUAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING A RELATIONSHIP; PLATONIC AT FIRST BECAUSE I AM PRE-OP. I CAN RELOCATE IF NEEDED. I AM A SINGLE WHITE MALE-TO-FEMALE, AGE 43 WITHOUT ANYONE I CAN BE WITH AND EXPERIENCE LIFE AS A WOMAN. KIM; P. O. BOX 564, LAKE CITY, S.C. 29560.

MARRIED WHITE MALE, NON-PASSABLE, VERY STRONG DESIRE TO CROSS-DRESS AND FEEL SURE THAT IF I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY, I WOULD CONTINUE ON TO FULL-TIME. NOT SURE IF ULTIMATELY READY FOR OPERATION (CASTRATION) BUT HAVE STRONG INCLINATION TO BE CARED FOR BY A GOOD MAN. NEED ADVICE AND OPPORTUNITY. WRITE STAN & TSV.

D/W//M, 46, 5'10", WAS MARRIED TO POST-OP, DESIRES HONEST LASTING RELATIONSHIP WITH TRANSSEXUAL; TO VANISH IN TO MIDDLE AMERICA. I AM HONEST, AND SO NOT PLAY GAMES. SEND PHOTO AND PHONE NUMBER TO ROY B. HARMON, 12814 NOEL, #1018, DALLAS, TEXAS 75230.

SINGLE WHITE MALE - 40 YEARS OLD, GOOD LOOKING, STRAIGHT - WANT TO MEET A TRANSSEXUAL AROUND OHIO OR SURROUNDING STATES. CAN TRAVEL. YOU WON'T BE SORRY. I'LL TREAT YOU LIKE A LADY. WRITE OCCUPANT, BOX 24741, COLUMBUS, OHIO 43224.

SOUTHERN WHITE MALE, 27 YEARS OLD, 160 LBS, GOOD LOOKING, DESIRES A RELATIONSHIP/MARRIAGE TO A SINCERE TRANSSEXUAL, IF YOU'RE TIRED OF LONELINESS THEN TAKE A CHANCE AND WRITE, AGE UNIMPORTANT, SERIOUS REPLIES ONLY. PHOTO APPRECIATED. WRITE TO GARY H., C/O TRANSSEXUAL VOICE, P. O. BOX 16314, ATLANTA, GA. 30321.

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THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR PERSONAL LISTINGS. THE EDITOR/PUBLISHER OF THE TRANSSEXUAL VOICE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CONTENT OF THE LISTINGS ON THIS PAGE NOR THE RESULTS OF ANY LISTING. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY AD YOU SUBMIT OR ANY AD YOU RESPOND TO IN THIS SECTION - SO BE CAREFUL AND GOOD LUCK.

CONNECTIONS

THE CONNECTION SECTION WILL BE USED TO LOCATE PEOPLE (OTHER THAN FOR PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS) SUCH AS ROOMMATES, BIG SISTER/BIG BROTHER, JOBS WANTED; ETC. ALSO, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A BIG SISTER OR BROTHER (I'M GOING TO FIND A BETTER WORD FOR THIS ONE), THIS IS THE PLACE TO OFFER YOUR FRIENDSHIP. IF YOU ARE IN A POSITION TO HIRE A TRANSSEXUAL POST-OP OR PRE-OP, PLEASE, PLEASE LET IT BE KNOWN.

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