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NEXT MEETING May 15 At 7:30

Cross-Port Basics

Cross-Port is bulging at the seams. We had 25 people at the last meeting and the old home really felt the strain. We talked about finding a new meeting place and we believe we have found the answer, but more about that in Girl Talk. As for new people, we had Westely, Karen, Jonie, and Dee Dee plus guest Dr. Baum, Dr. Wicker, Ann and Darla.

After the introductions of the new people, Ann discussed some of the different approaches we could take towards teaching ourselves about make-up. She suggested that each person would do best to contact her for a personal make-over but she could also do a general discussion for us also. She is also a seamstress and works with wigs. She is willing and able to make just about anything you see in the stores for about 1/2 price. If you are interested you can contact Ann Cole at 868-7161 and mention Cross-Port sent you.

Also discussed was the poor collection we had the month before. Over all we lost about \$20.00. The response this time was much better. Please remember that most clubs like ours charge \$25 to \$30 dues per year plus a \$5.00 meeting fee. We ask only for what you think it's worth and what you can afford. But less than \$2.00 person is shameful and that is what we collected in March.

We also talked about house cleaning. In March everyone left with not one person offering to help straighten up before heading for the club. Again this time the response was better and almost everything was cleaned up before we left. I don't mention these things just to be negative but to point out that if you watch most women these are the kinds of things they do. They are sensitive to the person whose home they are in and as such they offer to help when ever they can. If we wish to dress and feel like women then we should also try to be as sensitive as women.

The last major issue covered was the problem of more than one conversation going on at a time during the business portion of the night. The business part starts about 9:00 and if we all paid attention to what was being said we could get it out of the way and on with the fun.

About 10:30 everyone headed for the "Subway". We all thank each of you for your support and for caring enough to get involved.

AROUND TOWN

I have been asked to list the different places I have mentioned here over the past year, so here they are, but I know that so of the addresses have changed but I don't know what they are at this time.

Places to GO

Jacob's Downstairs Bar, 36 West Fifth, Dressing is OK, Drag shows every Friday and Saturday night at 10:30 and 12:00.

Metro Lounge, Ruth Lyons Pl. & Gano Alley, (Off Vine near the square), Dressing is OK, Talent Night on Wed, Drag shows on Mon.

1470 West (in Dayton), 1470 W. Dorothy in the Hill and Dale Shopping Center, Off I75 take Exit 47, go east until you come to the shopping center. It's on the right side of the center towards the back. Dressing is OK, Drag shows every Sunday night at 10:30 and 12:00. This is a FIRST CLASS club.

The Subway - at 609 Walnut. No cover, they have treated us very well whenever we have gone there.

Golden Lion - at 340 Ludlow, 281-4179. Cross-dressers are welcome anytime.

The Dock - at 603 Pete Rose Way (241-5623). Open Friday and Saturday nights. Have dropped dress code. Cross-dressers are welcome.

Side Door Lounge - at 619 Walnut (721-9551) Cross-dressers are Welcome.

Simon Says - at 428 Walnut (381-8196) Cross-dressers are welcome.

Spurs - at 318 E. Eighth St. (721-9007) Says No one is refused.

2601 Club - at 2601 Vine St. (221-3910) Says they've never had any cross-dressers but they didn't see any problems. I have been there and enjoyed it.

Harp's Rollerdom - 9910 Reading Rd., 563-1797, Gay Skate Nite third Tues. of the month. Cross-dressers welcome.

Shoes

Paula Lee Shoes, 7332 Kenwood Rd., Has large sizes but is not open to men trying them on in the store.

Payless Shoe Source - Near 7th and Race, Large size shoes to size 13.

Hair

Accent Fashion Wigs, 118 W. 7th St., Very open and willing to help fit you.

Hairworks, 313 Calhoun St., 221-8088, This is styling shop where you can get your own hair done or by appointment, go in dressed in the evening and they'll do your makeup and wig, in private. (I know they are now on Hamilton Ave.)

All Saints Chapel - Worship Service at 6:00 p.m., 1222 Ida St. in Mt. Adams. We are welcome to come dressed.

Indianapolis

21 Club- 2101 N. Talbott, 317-927-9000: Cross-Dressers are welcome but must show proper I.D. Shows on Tues, Thurs, Fri & Sat nights starting around 10:00 pm

G I R L T A L K

Well, here it is May 6 and I'm just getting the "InnerView" together, but girl am I glad I waited. Myself, Linda, Sharon and Valerie just returned from the Spring Fling in Chicago. They really know how to through a party.

Linda went dressed the entire time, up and back, while I was semi-dressed. (Well you know me!) It is estimated that about 70 people attended at some time or other and about 19 different states were represented. Linda and I went shopping (dressed) during the day Friday and found very few people even paid any attention to us. Though one sales girl could barely keep from laughing so she diplomatically sent me to another register. Also a guy had this big smile on his face all the time we were eating lunch.

Your's truly won the best 60's outfit for the sock-hop on Friday night. The black leather mini, red net stockings and black go-go boots must have done the trick. The fashion show Saturday afternoon got started 2 hours late and screwed up the schedule, but the talent show that night more than made up for the wait. It was one of the better shows I've ever seen because it was more of a production than a one at a time type show. Our very own Valerie even did a number for us. The guest speaker for the night was Rupert Raj, a female to male transsexual.

Sunday morning we spent going over the plans for the 1st National Convention for the entire TV/TS community which will be in Chicago next March. Linda will be our representative to the national board and will be keeping us informed on it's current state. As for now YOU CAN DO TWO THINGS. One, plan on attending. This will be our first attempt at making a united effort to show the world that TV's and TS's are not bad people. It is planned as an educational convention for us, the public, and for professionals. Second, there is a big need for seed money and I feel that if each one of you send in just \$3 marked for the convention Cross-Port could make a contribution of about \$250. If you send a check and make it out to "The Tiffany Club Inc." it is tax deducible. I'll just send it on to them. Don't put it off. The need for advertising money is needed by June or July if we are going to get the word out.

It was really hard to say good-bye to all the new sisters and brothers I met and to return to the hum-drum life of being a male. We'll be reporting a little more about the weekend in the future. Just in case you wish you had gone and would still like to, there are plenty more chances coming up including the May "Convention/Outing" in Provincetown and June "The Be All You Want To Be Weekend" in Chicago. See the Bulletin Board for more details.

Earlier, I mentioned about the need to find a place to meet as we have just about out grown my home. Well, I have good news. We found a place. The cost is free and the owner really wants us. For some, there is one bad point, it is 14 miles North of I 275, in Monrow, OH. For the Dayton people that's good news. It is a bar and we would have a back room to ourselves with it's own bar. There is plenty of parking and is not hard to get to off of I-75. There are even motels at the exit for you out of towners to stay at. While we will be discussing it at the next meeting there is a very good chance the a June meeting will be held there on a trial basis. The June issue of "InnerView" will include directions on how to get there so if for any reason you do not get your June issue before June 15th give me a call for directions.

My spouse has asked if I though any of your wives/girlfriends would be interested in getting to gether for a one time wife support meeting. This would be on a night other than our meeting night. For those who can ask them and let me know.

I am sorry the news-letter is a little late but with being gone 4 days and May 1 being on a Thursday, the meeting is falling on the earliest date it can.

Letters to Heather

Dearest Heather,

I was sitting around in the Elizabeth Club in Tokyo and while reading several magazines I came upon your Cross-Port Club address in Cincinnati. I can not tell you how surprised I was -- it was wonderful news.

I expect to return to Cincy in a few days, and would like to stop by. . . . Hope we can make connections.

Love Donna

Dear Donna,

Wow! Now that is going about finding us the hard way, but I'm glad to see that we are getting the word out. I to look forward to meeting you.

Dear Heather,

Our conversation on the phone removed my deepest fear, that of rejection. It also enlightened my understanding of Cross-Port.

I do not know you personally at this point in time, but feel I have known you all my life. You are a compassionate and dear person. I look forward to seeing you at the Spring Fling.

I also look forward to the next edition of Cross-Port InnerView, it is in excellent taste and very well written.

Sincerely and God Bless You,

Cathy

Dear Cathy,

Thank you for all the kind words, it was a joy to have met you at the Spring Fling even though we only got to talk for a short time. I know it was your first time out among other cross dressers and that is always an exciting event. I hope you will be able to make

it for a meeting soon so the rest of the girls can get to know you.

Heather

Bulletin Board

CROSS-PORT'S Meeting schedule for 1986 is May 15, Jun 19, Jul 17, Aug 21, Sep 18, Oct 16, Nov 20, Dec 18

The Paradise Club's Schedule - For 1986 - Jun 14 (Picnic - Rummage Sale), Aug 16 (Guest Speaker), Oct 18 (Meeting & Drag Show), Dec 13 (Christmas Dinner)

Be All You Want To Be Weekend - Jun 5 to Jun 8

Write Paradise Club, PO Box 29564, Parma, OH 44129, Attn: Susan for Prices and Places

Transpitt's Meeting Schedule is the third Saturday of the month.

Write Transpitt, PO Box 59406, Pittsburg, PA 15211, Attn: Johnnie

Windy City Chapter's Meeting Schedule. They meet the Third Tuesday of each month at 8:30.

Write Windy City Chapter, PO BOX 2312, Chicago, IL 60690, Attn: Sharon Hart

Joyce Dewhurst's Spring Pocono Fantasy - May 16 to 18. Cost is \$189/person and \$355 Male/Female Couples. Save \$15 if \$50 Deposit is Received before Feb. 1.

Write Joyce Dewhurst, 37-50 76th St., Jackson Heights, NY 11372 or call (718) 335-3048

TRI-ESS information Write Carol Beecroft, P. O. Box 194, Tulare, CA, 93275

Crossroads, Meetings April 5, May 3.

Write Crossroads, P. O. Box 1298, Flint, MI 48501

Genesis- meets the second Saturday of the month.

Write Genesis, P. O. Box 0954, Elyria, OH, 44036-0954

Tiffany Club, Tapestry, and International Foundation for Gender Education.

Convention/Outing - May 26 to June 2

Write to Merissa Sherrill Lynn, Box 19, Wayland, MA 01778

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