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Pimblett's a Pip

As always, our evening at Pimblett's restaurant, 263 Gerrard St. E., was a huge success. Our comfy "home away from home," saw 25-30 Xpressions gals turn out to wine, dine, and socialize.

We all first met in the bar and said our hellos while quaffing wine or beer, though I did see one adventurous sister with a Singapore sling. About 8-ish we made our way to the dining room where we settled down and eventually ordered. Food rescued the bevy of beauties not long after. Between courses there was lots of table hopping and yakking. It was grand to see so many familiar faces, as well as the newbies who ventured out to join us for the first time.

Welcome, one and all!

August Adventure

You may not be aware of it, but we have many members who live outside of the greater Toronto area. Gals come from Kingston, Belleville, Barrie, Oshawa, and numerous other out-of-town locales to attend Xpressions dinners. Now it's your turn unless of course, you live in Hamilton.

That's because the August dinner on Saturday night the 31st is taking place in Fran's, in the Howard Johnson Hotel in downtown Hamilton. That means 31st it will be a real adventure. This should be a fun night, and something different. Remember, you can always come drab if you can't dress.

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Xpressions X-Files is published monthly to keep the members up-to-date on past and future events. If you know of any events that pertain to our lifestyle please send the material to the P.O. box in the form of a text file on disk or typed, or fax the typed material to 416-461-9696 or E-Mail GILBERT@YorkU.CA Xpressions & Monarch are now working as one club to help and support those people in the closet and encourage them to get out and enjoy all that our lifestyles have to offer. Membership is \$36.00 / year. This Document

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CASTING CALL & CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Xpressions has been asked by the Sunshine Foundation, a charitable group that raises money for sick children, to provide entertainment and volunteers for a fundraising event. The event will be called "An Evening at La Cage," and will be held at the St. Catherine's Optimist Club on Saturday night November 30, 96. We are looking for talented, energetic and willing ladies for the following jobs: **stage performers **hostesses **coat check girls **ticket takers **club management **technical support. If you are willing to help with any of the above please call the Xpressions hotline, 416-812-6879, and leave your name, a means of contacting you, and an indication of what you want to do. This is a major outreach activity for us, so please volunteer your talent and time for this most worthy cause.

Calendar

August 1 & 15

Fetish Night - Boots Warehouse
592 Sherbourne St.
416-921-0665
Always 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month

August 8 & 22

Boudoir Noirs Fetish Night
The Catacombs
732 Queen St. West
416-504-1917
Always 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month

August 31/96

Frans
Downtown Hamilton
Time: 8:00PM
Cost \$25.00
call 546-8122

Sept 5/96

Club (Doll) House
Alison Laing
Time: 7:30
Map enclosed

Dinner

Frans (Howard Johnson's / Royal Connaught Downtown Hamilton)
See Map Time: 8:00PM Date: Aug 31/96 \$25.00

- Tentative Dates -

Sept 14/96

Dinner
Pot luck dinner at our Doll House
details in the next newsletter
\$10.00

Sept 28

Dinner
Burppkins
21 Gloucester, off young
Date: Sept 28th 96
Time: 8:00PM
416-922-8645

Oct 26

Halloween Party
Pimblett's
263 Gerrard St. East
Date: Oct 26th 96
Time: 8:00PM
416-929-9525

Nov 30

Southern Accents
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If at any time you find that the restaurant has gone out of business when you arrive the alternate is:
(Pimblett's 263 Gerrard St. East 416-929-9525)

"Doll House" is the new name for our Club House

And Club Statistics are 90 Paid Members and 173 on the Mailing list which includes other clubs and advertisers. We mail out 114 X-Files and 3 stores are selling the Monarch Reader.

MARDI GRAS 96 at Divine Lake

Don't miss this exciting experience: a paradise for cross dressers where we expect to have the whole resort to ourselves. The picturesque main lodge is the focal point where our workshops and social events will take place. Accommodations are first class, either in the chalets or in the cottages. All the cottages have fire places or wood stoves and a fully equipped kitchenette. Both accommodations are only a few steps from the main lodge. We have a full program so there will always be something to do.

Dress is optional for this entire event, so dress "Drag or Drab" anytime you want. Rates range from \$97.00 to \$122.00 per night, including breakfast and dinner and is based on our two night package. There is a 10% discount for the third night. A daily rate of \$35.00 is available, for those who want to come for the Saturday only. This includes the Saturday workshops and the banquet dinner. For our American friends, the above is Canadian funds, so you can save about 35% on exchange. If you haven't booked, call 'Divine Lake' now, mention 'MARDI GRAS 96' and book direct with them (\$100.00 deposit required and they accept all credit cards). It's a free call, telephone: 1-800-263-6600. Don't wait any longer!

Any questions about 'MARDI-GRAS 96' ??? Contact Donna on the internet at: [redacted] or telephone Willi at 905-279-7723.

ALISON LAING to SPEAK to Xpressions / Monarch

Alison Laing, the new executive director of the IFGE will be in Toronto the first week of September examining hotels for the upcoming 1998 IFGE convention. Alison has agreed to meet with Xpressions members to talk about the IFGE, the '98 event, and help us officially inaugurate the Doll's House, our new found (and newly named) club venue. The evening will take place at the club house on **Thursday night September 5 at 7.30p.m.** Be sure to be there for this first Doll's House event. Watch the next X-Files for a refresher. See Map Enclosed





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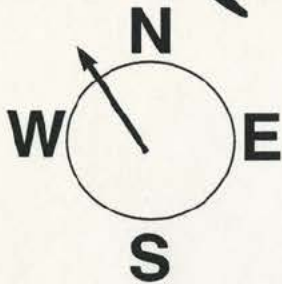
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