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GAY CLUB & BAR PEOPLE'S BALL at the great and new COPACABANA! on West 57th Street, Manhattan. The 13th Annual BAR PEOPLE'S BALL was spported and attended by a contingency of the IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NEW YORK. A grand time was had by all; pix galore. Pictured above: Lady SAJA, Queen ALLYSON and Lord MARGE C.

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Business & Social MEETING of I.Q.N.Y. called to royal order @ 8:08 p.m. by Imperial Queen ALLYSON ANN ALLANTE. The following are hi-lites:

OLD BUSINESS:

- * NYC Mayor DAVID DINKINS' Gay & Lesbian Liaison Office failed in the entire course of 1993 to even get a letter of acknowledgment or support to our voluntary, non-profit, supportive organization. Various personnel there have constantly stated "it's in the works", however, this proved to be an empty promise. It is pathetic insofar as it would not have cost them anything to simply show appreciation. They were also quoted as stating that they are 10 or 11 months behind in their correspondence! Well, their correspondence will long outlive their tenure. GAY PEOPLE have a long way to go toward "unity".
- * In contrast, N.Y. State Governor MARIO CUOMO'S OFFICE OF GAY & LESBIAN CONCERNS has spoken with various officials of the IMPERIAL QUEENS as reported by Princess FRAN SANCISCO. This past year we coordinated many victims of Gay & Lesbian "bias crimes and verbal incidents" to send info of such to the Governor's Office. Members were urged to have anyone on this subject contact us to forward relevant info. Further, they should contact G.L.A.D.D. and the ANTI-VIOLENCE PROJECT.
- * Princess GEORGIA gave a little social report on "HALLOWEEN '93" at POSITANO'S RESTAURANT/CABARET CLUB and at various parties afterward. King FARRELL brought 2 dozen pix taken at such on the Imperial camera.

NEW BUSINESS:

- * LONG ISLAND GAY PRIDE PARADE COMMITTEE sent videos of the IMPERIAL QUEENS of NY (& LI) in the Long Island Parade this year -- along with the filmed television coverage on the news. You can clearly see Queen ALLYSON, Queenette LISA CERVANTEZ and Princess VENISE CHARLES smiling, waving, vogueing and glamouring for the crowds and the cameras. The video is available to be "borrowed" by I.Q.N.Y. paid members.
- * PRESS RELEASES have recently been sent by our own Sir SYLVESTER of Staten to the NEW YORK NATIVE, H/X, THE ADVOCATE, NEXT, PRIVATE LIVES, THE LIST, PARLEE ENTERTAINMENT MAGAZINE and STONEWALL NEWS.
- * IMPERIAL QUEENS fun & fund raiser? Yes! Various members made several suggestions, all of which are duly noted in detail in our "Minutes". Definite title: "GAY GOWNS GALORE" Tentative date: Valentine's Day.

UP-COMING EVENT:

- * "13th ANNUAL BAR PEOPLE'S BALL" at the new (but same logo and tradition) COPACABANA. To be held on Monday, Nov. 8, 1993 @ 9:00 p.m. We have a round, reserved table -- plus various members scattered throughout at other tables with friends. Hosted by Mr. CHUCK "DUGOUT" DIMA, STORME D. and JOHNNY POOLE with entertainment by JERRY SCOTT & HIS ORCHESTRA.
- * NEXT IMPERIAL QUEENS MEETING: Friday, Dec. 3 @ 8:00 p.m. at THE CENTER.

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BARBARA'S FIRST LADIES. Barbara Walters will host a two-hour special in December in which she hopes to interview the current and all six former living first ladies. Walters told us yesterday that all of the details have not been ironed out, but ABC has been working on the project for some time. The special's guests would include Hillary Rodham Clinton and her predecessors Barbara Bush, Nancy Reagan, Rosalynn Carter, Betty Ford, Lady Bird Johnson and — if she says yes — the reclusive Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis. The main topic: What it's like to live in the White House.

J.O.N. W - Elected Officers

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A 'Cheery' outing; color 'Queen' green

Today's Runners: Cheery Sun (9th), Green Hill Queen (7th). A repeat of Cheery's last performance, which was the first off a claim, will take this one. Green Hill seems to be a slight but legitimate favorite in one of the few races on the card with enough horses to make a fair price possible.



Kids dress-ing up for Halloween

By ROB SPEYER

Daily News Staff Writer

If your son dresses up as a nun Sunday night, or your daughter wants to look like Arnold Schwarzenegger, don't get alarmed.

Welcome to Halloween, PC style.

Toy salespeople say kids are rejecting traditional costumes like ballerinas for girls and soldiers for boys, opting for outfits that cross gender and ethnic lines.

"Moms and dads without blinking are asking for Robin Hood or Batman costumes for their little girls." said Marcia Blue, manager of West Side Kids on Amsterdam Ave. in Manhattan.

"Our Barbie costumes haven't sold at all." lamented Saoirse Spain of Toy Park on the upper East Side. "But anything that's unisex is selling out like crazy."

Several stores said boys are grabbing the nun costumes off the shelves or choosing gentle animal characters like Barney the Dinosaur instead of G.I. Joe.

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Son can have anyone, says <u>Barbra</u>

BARBRA Streisand is tired of monkeying around with rumors about her son's sexual inclinations. Shortly before the current issue of Vanity Fair — with a cover story on her — hit newsstands, the actress/singer/director called an editor there to see if she could insert some comments. Streisand wanted to respond to the Globe's unappealing allegations that she had boycotted her son Jason Gould's alleged "wedding" to his alleged boyfriend, underwear model David Knight. "She was upset because the Globe item made it sound like she doesn't love her son," said one source. Several Vanity Fair sources confirm that Streisand wanted to include the comment, "I don't care if my son marries a chimpanzee; I would be at the wedding,"



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City targets gym's gay policy

The City Commission on Human Rights is threatening legal action against a <u>Jack La Lanne Fitness Center</u> on the Upper West Side — because its family discounts are not being offered to gay couples.

Two male couples had applied for half-price memberships under a La Lanne program available to family members living in the same household, the commission said.

The couples, both in "domestic partnerships" under a new city law, applied at the 74th Street and Broadway center and were told they could not receive discounts.

They were told the discount is not available to unmarried beterosexual couples either, the commisson said. UPI

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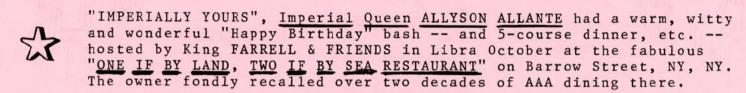
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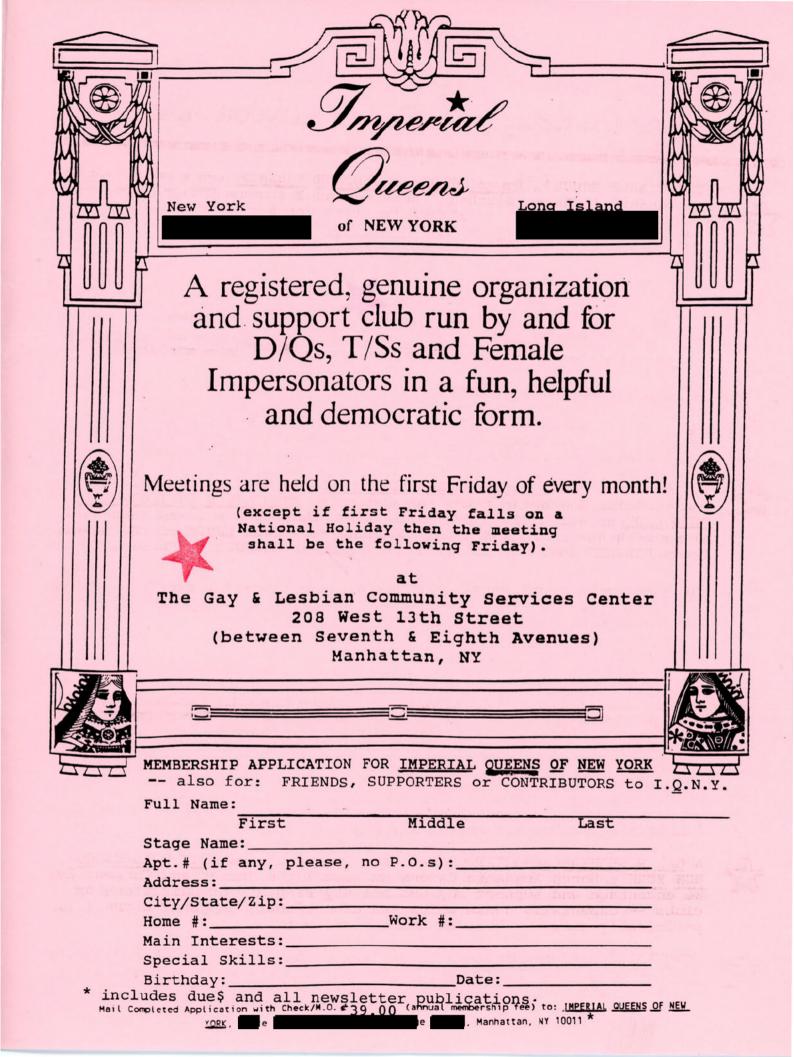
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"Girls", Gals, Guys *** gather 'round me and hear the newz from Queen Allyson Allante:



- WILLIAMSON LEIGH & FARRELL ARMSTRONG were recently seen on T.V. featuring "GIRL GROUPS THEN / GIRL GROUPS NOW" on the LES BROWN SHOW on ABC-TV. The show starred girl groups from the 1960's to the 19-90's including MARTHA REEVES & THE VANDELLAS, MARY WILSON of THE SU-PREMES, VICKIE of THE GO-GO'S, JANE of THE BANGLES and now, EXPOSE. MARTHA acklowledged her Fan Club President, WLH, from the stage.
- CERF-PAC ("CITIZENS FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FUND"), a Gay political action committee published a photo of Imperial Queen ALLYSON ANN ALLANTE & THE ALLYSONIANS (LISA CERVANTEZ and VENISE CHARLES) in the Oct./Nov. '93 "CERF-PAC" newsletter. The done-up gals, representing I.Q.N.Y., are shown riding in WILLIAMSON's 1969 Cadillac convertible.
- Imperial tank to <u>Countess SWANA SWAROVSKI</u> for hosting a royal, fun and exciting Halloween party and dinner at <u>POSITANO'S RESTAURANT & NITE CLUB</u> on All Hallo's Eve (Oct. 30). There was a grand turn-out! Along with Queen ALLYSON & King FARRELL were Lord LOUIS of the Bronx, Queen VALERIE GOTTI of the Village, Princess GEORGIA of Russia, Et Al.
- MOLLY AITKEN & LUCIA MOURA also benefit our "Imperial tanx" for their delightful, well-served, after-function "Halloween Party" which Queen ALLYSON, King FARRELL, Lord LAVELLE, Princess GEORGIA and others gaily attended in Chelsea. We have A-I photos from both events.
- Mayor-elect RUDOLPH W. GIULIANI receives and deserves our most royal congratulations for clearly winning a long and interesting campaign which demonstrated the warm, witty and intelligent personality of this native New Yorker. We believe firmly that 'all New Yorkers and visitors to this great City will soon be safer -- even in high heels!
- GAY VOTES shall no longer be taken for granted or assumed -- or done so with the risk of defeat. All reliable polls and post-election data indicate that Republican Mayor-elect Mr. GIULIANI received about 33% of the GAY vote. In the last election, he received approximately 10% (in 1989). "Crime against GAYS & LESBIANS" is a big concern to US.
- A GAY & LESBIAN ASSOCIATION has been formed at the CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK's North Academic Campus at West 138th Street and Convent Av. We encourage and support any and all Gay People's organizations or clubs -- especially those which are educational, supportive and politically aware -- besides being just social.
- "STONEWALL SYMPOSIUM" was an excellent demonstration (provided by the THREE DOLLAR BILL THEATRE COMPANY), series of reading excerpts from noted GAY authors, discussions, comments, audience in-put, etc. and hosted by the LESBIAN & GAY COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER'S "ARCHIVES".





Please Attend the Next Social and Business **Meeting** of

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