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TO: Participants in the Milwaukee Transgender Program

FROM: Gretchen Fincke and Charles Kiley

SUBJECT: Program Structural Changes

Effective October 1, 1988 the Milwaukee Transgender Program will provide several kinds of group experiences to meet the individualized needs of program participants and which will reflect the diversity of needs/developmental stages of the growing numbers of persons in the Program.

Group Structure

Male-to-Female Program

- 1] Beginners Group (3rd. Monday)
- 2] Intermediate Group (2nd. Monday)
- 3] Full-Time Group (1st. Monday)
- 4] All Program Group (Alternate 4th Mondays)
- 5] Special Topics Group (Alternate 4th Mondays)

Female-to-Male Program

- 1] All FTM Program Group (1st Saturday)
- 2] All Transgender Program Group (Alternate 4th Mondays)
- 3] Special Topics Group (Alternate 4th Mondays)

Groups will meet monthly and are a requirement for all Program participants who have sexual reassignment as a goal. The All Program Group will meet six [6] times a year, starting with the first meeting in October. The Special Topics Group will meet six [6] times a year, beginning with the first one in November. The latter two groups are not Program requirements, but designed as additional enhancement experiences for those persons who are interested.

"It is our right as human beings to experience emotional and sexual health."

Program Schedule

October, 1988

1st: FTM Program Group

17th: MTF Beginners Group

24th: All Transgender Program Group

November, 1988

5th: FTM Program Group

7th: Full-Time Group

14th: Intermediate Group

21st: Beginners Group

28th: Special Topics Group [This month's topic will be Special Problems/Issues for the Professional Person.]

December, 1988

3rd: FTM Program Group

5th: Full-Time Group

12th: Intermediate Group

19th: Beginners Group

26th: All Transgender Program Group [This will be our Annual Winter Solstice/Hannukah/Christmas Party. Perhaps this will not be the best day-evening to have our gathering, so let's think about this upcoming event and decide when to have this event before the end of October so I can make the arrangements. Thanks!!!!---Charles]

Speaking of Parties!!!!, Gretchen and Charles are responsible for organizing the Summer and Winter Gatherings and we will continue to do this. It has been suggested that we have a couple more social events a year, Perhaps a Valentines Party and a Spring Bash in May. Let's discuss the possibility of Program Participants taking on the task of organizing and hosting the latter two party proposals. OK?

Program Participants Group Assignments

We have taken responsibility to assign each current program participant to one of the primary groups. These are as follows:

Female-to-Male Program

- 1] Rob L.
- 2] James H.
- 3] Christopher M-St.M.
- 4] Aaron W.
- 5] Kevin C.
- 6] Carol L.
- 7] Meng-Ru L.

Male-to-Female Program

Beginners Group

- 1] Robert R.
- 2] Mark T.
- 3] Jerry Z.
- 4] Jerry C.
- 5] Michael (Joanna) S.
- 6] Dan W.

Full-Time Group

- 1] Lynnette L.
- 2] Sheila E.
- 3] Renee K.
- 4] Jamie H.
- 5] Suzanne S.
- 6] Marsha N.
- 7] Terrie J.
- 8] Robin R.
- 9] Elizabeth M.
- 10] Julie A.
- 11] Cherylann P.
- 12] Vicki F.

Intermediate Group

- 1] Glenn M.
- 2] Kim A.
- 3] Kelly E.
- 4] Laura P.
- 5] Lisa Q
- 6] Adriana C.
- 7] Kate T.
- 8] Mickey (Athena) B.
- 9] Karen S.
- 10] Marty (Sarah) Y.

Note: Effective immediately all new MTF program people will be assigned to the Beginners Group. Length of involvement in that group will depend on the person's life issues and developmental status.

Recommendation: In the interest of fostering greater and more enriching social interaction for Program members it would be a useful thing if each person will give permission to have their name, telephone number, and perhaps, the address published so people can contact each other and arrange for social get-togethers outside of group time. Let's explore this further!