

Imperial Queens of NEW YORK





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PARADES, PARADES, PARADES!

*Not one -- but 3 great ones
-- in (chronologically)
QUEENS (the borough/county),
LONG ISLAND (including both
NASSAU and SUFFOLK) and, of
course, MANHATTAN (including
the World).

I.Q.N.Y. urged Gay People and their Friends and Supporters to participate or at least check them out.

Anyone who attended any of the Pride Parades knows what a geat showing we had -- and great, sunny weather.

ALL were very well-planned, organized and ordely. In brief, it was Gay Christmas. If YOU were there, we do not have to give you the glorious details.

If you were not at any, then shame on YOU -- where is your pride (unless you had a good reason, real good).

"Before The Parada Parada

"Before The Parade Passes By"

"IMPERIALLY YOURS" -- The Official Newzy Letta of I.Q.N.Y.

Manhattan, N.V. 10811

Telephones:

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Time: General Business & Social Meeting called to order at 8:13 p.m. on

Friday, July 2 -- on the eve of INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND.

meeting was chaired by Sir WILLIAMSON LEIGH HENDERSON.

Place: THE GAY CENTER, 208 West 13 St., Manhattan, NY (off Seventh Av.)

Among: BROOKE LYNN. (XURT) KURT ZAGER (Publicity), SCOTT TOROS (Promotion),

FARRELL ARMSTRONG (General-at-Arms), FRAN SANCISCO (Acting Sec'y), BARTOBARTONS (Security Chief for the Girls while on public streets), COUNT CATANIA (Administrator) plus general members and some guests.

Only the Hi-Lites of Business Part of the Meeting:

OLD BUSINESS:

- * I.Q.N.Y. had a display table at the GAY CENTER ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY this past June 21. It was a lovely, well-attended affair -- until the 2nd summer rainstorm blew in. Then, most everyone had to scatter. Notwithstanding, we still picked up a few more members for our D/Q club. We had a colorful display photo album of 8 x 10 enlarged photos. also had the WLH 1969 CADILLAC convertible specially parked on the West 13th Street providing a 1969 STONEWALL/Gay culture reminder. Lastly, I.Q.N.Y. also paid to have an ad in the CENTER JOURNAL.
- * GAY PRIDE PARADES are covered elsewhere in this issue. June had three!!! It must be stressed that the bigger the turnout, the better we look.
- * IMPERIAL QUEENS' PRE-PARADE GEYLA on the eve of the Parade was held at THE BROMLEY on the Upper West Side, as announced in THE PRIDE GUIDE. Itiwas very successful, fun and a bit of a little fund-raiser. Sure, because it went on until dawn for many, they were thus not able to make the Parade/March the next day. So, next year we will have a "curfew".
- * Member SASHA has submitted a revised I.Q.N.Y. "Membership Application". See page 8 of this "IMPERIALLY YOORS" newz-letta.

NEW BUSINESS:

- * New stationery and imprinted envelopes have received the final proof "OK" after they were designed especially for I.Q.N.Y. inspired by Miss NORMA VELVELETTE, a Caddy member. Of course, the color of such is PINK.
- * Condolences to I.Q.N.Y. Official TOM CATANIA on the loss of his father.
- * LONG ISLAND ANNUAL A.I.D.S. BENEFIT at the huge KISS DISCO & CLUB shall be on Sunday, August 1 starting at 4:00 p.m. with performances, including QUEEN ALLYSON ALLANTE as well as other performing I.Q.N.Y. members and others. Please call our L. I. tel. # for further info.

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IQNY' : "LETTER-OF-THE-MONTH"

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Spondents. . . except Public Officials - They Get our Votes)

NEW YORK
STATE
SENATE

June 25, 1993



RALPH J. MARINO SENATOR, 5TH DISTRICT

PRESIDENT PRO TEM AND MAJORITY LEADER

PLEASE REPLY TO:

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New York, New York 10011

Dear Ms. Allante:

Thank you for informing me of your concerns on the issue of gay rights and legislation to bar discrimination against individuals based on sexual orientation.

This issue has provoked an enormous response from people on both sides of the issue. This may be due in large part to the national debate currently underway over President Clinton's decision to lift the military's ban on allowing homosexuals in the armed services.

I have opposed discrimination in all of its forms throughout my public life whether it is based on an individual's religion, race, color or sexual orientation. And I have supported reasonable legislative efforts to discourage discrimination on those and other bases.

The legislation now before the Senate will be carefully examined and weighed to determine all of its implications and ramifications. It will be evaluated by the Senate Investigations, Taxation and Government Operations Committee, which will make a recommendation on the bill.

I also intend to seek a consensus among the members of the Senate Majority on the bill, which is something I do on any bill that has such broad implications in this state.

Your comments and thoughts on this issue are important and I appreciate your sharing them with me. Please be assured that they will be given every consideration as this issue is discussed and debated in the weeks ahead.

Sincerely,

Ralph J. Marino



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

- Quiet as it is not kept, imperially yours, QUEEN ALLYSON ALLANTE,
 "The Blonde Supreme Queen", has been coronated for her second consecutive reign as "Imperial Queen" of I.Q.N.Y. Of course, this is in addition to her various reigns in the early and mid-1980's and all of the 1970's. Imperial thanks for all the congratulatory cards.
- Speaking of "FIRST LADIES", some of our true idols will all be gathered (separately) to do a BARBARA WALTERS T.V., that is, television, in this sense. The "FIRST LADIES" are the Presidential 1st Ladies, namely (in order of appearance, JACQUELINEKENNEDY, LADY BIRD JOHNSON, BETTY FORD, ROSALYNN CARTER, NANCY REAGAN (a real-life queen), BARBARA BUSH and the current HILLARY CLINTON. PAT NIXON recently died.
- Our own <u>QUEEN DARLEENE DAME</u> is currently in Hollywood for an extended stay with royal friends, including the ROYAL COURT SYSTEM, She called (very long distance) the other day to have a royal chat with imperially yours. DARLEENE's absence from the NY Parade benefitted Ms. LA in '93.
- Member VENISE CHARLES is orchestraing a "D/Q Look-a-like" show which will be booked in a Long Island club. It is a must that the D/Q be a celebrity look-a-like such as BARBRA, DIANA, BETTE M., SHIRLEY B., TINA, CHER, PATTI, CONNIE, Et Al. You catch the drift. For further info, please call I.Q.N.Y. to contact Ms. CHARLES in LI.
- KING FARREELL ARMSTRONG was the royal driver of the royal coach bearing "The Imperial Queen" ALLYSON ALLANTE in the New York Parade. The silver frost coach, a 1990's Cadillac Brougham d'Elegance with very functional astroroof was the perfect display vehicle for both.
- Thanks too to the debonaire members/couple PETER FINK & HECTOR DIAZ for driving and co-piloting the classic 1969 Cadillac convertible in the N. Y. Parade carrying OUEENETTE LISA CERVANTEZ, representing the Officials of I.Q.N.Y. LISA well-performed her imperial royalness. The 1969 car itself is a "living" gay culture symbol a/o "STONEWALL".
- The IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NEW YORK were well-represented at the LONG ISLAND GAY PARADE and were much appreciated and respected not only by the Pride Committee of L.I. (who put us in the 'Lead Section') but by the fascinated and adoring crowds of parade well-wishers. We also had a ball at the "After The Parade Passes By...Concert & Rally".
- LONG ISLAND CHANNEL 12 NEWS -- the premier source of news for all of L.I., including Fire Isle, Cherry Grove and The Pines -- did an A-l job of covering all of the Gay events of the L.I. Parade and, in fact, OUEEN ALLYSON & THE IMPERIAL OUEENS OF NY were clearly shown on the news several times with their colorful outfits, courtly parade waves and big smiles. Yes, VIRGINIA, we have it on video!
- Speaking of video, thanks to <u>BENAY PHILLIPS</u> for doing a nice, comprehensive videography job of videoing the NEW YORK CITY PARADE -- as always. We bought a few copies from her <u>C.C.C. VIDEO PRODUCTIONS</u>.



Yes, IQ.N.Y's ready response peada's to a letter, note, newstory event or happening event, or happening

Miss READ-A will do just that -- READ:

I am best at "reading" through my writing, especially through the inspiration of my best friend, QUEEN ALLYSON.

This is in response to M-E-M-B-E-R+S-H-I-P. I have heard our IMPERIAL QUEEN patiently and clearly detail the importance of membership (active) and "paying your dues". Lord knows, QUEEN ALLYSON certainly has -- but that is a long, well-documented story. She has also donated her time, talent, coordination and extreme generosity to this and several other Gay organizations, clubs and causes.

But as little Miss JANET JAX sang a few years ago, "WHAT HAVE YOU DONE FOR ME LATELY?" All of YOU should ask yourself that hot question. Some of the same "Girls" who plead the economy is so bad (and it is) are the same ones who have the bucks and el dinero to always have an alcoholic drink in one hand and a cigarette in the other. Costs money! And one D/Q who "bought" a little dress from a F/H over a year ago still has not given her the mere \$35 -- nor paid her dues the past two years !! Well, suffice it to say that we like any other organization in this Gay Universe need members and ones who pay their due\$.

What are the due\$ spent on? Let's see stationery, stamps, flyers, advertising, parade vehicle fees, supporting Gay organizations that rely on other Gay organizations, free informational bulletins, entry fees for various events, publication of this newsletter, bigger envelopes, more postage stamps, supplies, etc.

YOU might even feel better if you start "giving" instead of just "taking and taking". By that I mean, the members who call for free info, advice, friendship and even letters of recommendation -- but still no dueS.



DEBORAH J. GLICK Assemblymember 66th District New York County

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COMMITTEES
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The Imperial Oueens of New York

New York, NY 10011

Dear Imperial Queens,

I would like to take this opportunity to commend you for your continued desire to serve the Gay community in New York. I wish you the best of luck and I hope to have an oppurtunity to work with you some time in the future.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Glick Assemblymember

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IMPERIAL QUEENS

J.O.N.Y Elected Officers

President: Imperial Queen ALLYSON ALLANTE
Vice-President: Queen BROOKE LYNN
Treasurer: Queen DARLEEN DAME
Secretary: Queen VALERIE GOTTI
General-at-Arms: King FARRELL ARMSTRONG

Imperially Appointed Officials

Administration: Count TONI CATANIA Membership: Queenette LISA CERVANTEZ Promotion: Prince KURT ZAGER Publicity: Lord SCOTT TOROS Chief-of-Security: BART BARTON

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★ BENEFIT SHOWS	IMPERIAL QUEENS
MEMBERSHIP CARD ★	
★ MONTHLY MEETINGS	Manhattan, NY 10011
PARTICIPATING EVENTS	Note: Please endeavor to attend our next meeting. If you cannot make it,
★ VOTING PRIVILEGES ★	you may mail in your dueS to show your support of IQNY.
PRIDE PARADE FLOATILLA	
* SPECIAL COMMITTEES	Nex leeting:
ANNUAL D/O DANCE	Next ITTesting : Frz., Aug. 6 @ 8:00 PM
GRATIS X-MAS DINNER	FRI., Hug. 6 @ 8:00
The Gay & Lesbian Construction of the Construc	ne first Friday of every month! It Friday falls on a ay then the meeting following Friday). at Community Services Center to 13th Street th & Eighth Avenues) Lattan, NY
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FO	OR IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NEW YORK
Full Name:	

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Apt.# (if any, please, no P.O.s):_____

Last

First

City/State/Zip:____

Stage Name:____

Address:___

Home #:_____