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The EON Valentine Party is now history and those of us that were there are glad we could be a part of history. As usual, Kelley and Bette were prepared to host a most wonderful party. Everybody looked so nice in their Valentine finery and the bright colors made everything look so cheerful. Once again, the snacks were delicious, especially the various fruit tarts prepared by Michelle. The topics of discussion were many and varied but many centered on the impending meeting to be held in Chicago. We also had a chance to see the recent Donahue show that featured cross-dressers and a wife.

The next monthly meeting is going to be on March 21 at Lorraine and Fay's home. See attached map for directions. A simple phone call to let them know you're coming would be nice. This is their first party--a special one for St. Patrick's Day. And don't forget to bring a sampling of your favorite hors d'oeuvres. Michelle tells us there will be Irish stew and music so be sure to think green.

Notes from Michelle and Gail:

This is to echo the comments in last months newsletter from Joanne regarding the DWI roadblocks. We have been stopped in two of them on the way from EON parties. Fortunately Gail, who had not been drinking, was the one who was driving. Michelle had been drinking and was in full dress so there was no problem After a few brief questions, we were allowed that time. We talked about what could have happenned if toproceed. Michelle had been driving!! Interesting!!

The other gender can take over at strange times--Last month Mike needed new glasses and Gail went along for the eye exam. Mike, Gail and the doctor had an enjoyable conversation during the exam and as we went to leave the room, the doctor held the door open and said "Ladies first". Without hesitation, much to the doctor's surprise, Michelle stepped smartly out the door. Gail made a quick joke about Mike having bad hearing and we all laughed. We've often joked about it since.

"Wives Support"--What Does It Mean?

Since my recent trip to Provincetown where I met with the Massachusetts CD wives, I have become more aware that the term "wives support" has many meanings, depending on the group and the individual. I finally decided to write this article to any CD wives who are either new to our group, new to the idea of CD, or still "wavering" in their opinion of this phenomenon.

I want to make it clear to any of these wives that, though the wives in the EON group do support our men in attending EON functions, we range all the way from enthusiastic to barely accepting. So when you see us smiling at a party, don't assume that we are all on the "enthusiastic" end of the spectrum. Then why are we there? Because we all love our men and want them to be happy. It's not all that different from our men "allowing" us to join a ladie's bridge club or joining us in some other social endeavor when they'd rather stay home and watch television. We all make compromises to make our relationships work and this is no exception.

Now, fellas, don't hide this article from your lady. It's really quite positive and granted, there are some of us who really encourage cross-dressing, but for the reader who is still confused I felt I needed to offer a little understanding and to welcome new couples in this way. Don't hesitate to join our group thinking that we are all 100% "Gung Ho"--we are here to offer our friendship and yes, our support. to you!

Like To Talk To Another Wife?

We have discontinued our bimonthly Wive's Support Meetings (where no men attended) because of lack of interest, but if anyone would like to meet with one or two other wive's, we would love to do so. Call Ellen 635-1718.

Notes from the Convention--

Two of our members, Elanda and Angela, were fortunate enough to have been able to attend the Chicago convention. The preliminary word back from is encouraging as they report a lot of interest in our couples group. For a full report, be sure and be at the March meeting.

Did you all see the article in the March 10 issue of Woman's World called "My Husband, the Crossdresser"? If the people in that article looked familiar, it's because they were. Cheryl and Karen told me about the article in January. I'll have a copy at the March party in case you missed it.