



## **Educational TV Channel Newsletter**

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#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS -- 1987-1988

Here they are -- our newly elected leaders of ETVC for the term from June 1, 1987 to May 31, 1988. Pictured above are (from left to right) Nancy Ann, Treasurer, Kim, Social Co-Chair, Davida, Social Co-Chair, Gloria, Coordinator, Lyn, Secretary, Martina, Outreach Co-Chair. Not pictured, but elected Outreach Co-Chair, is Loren.

Congratulations to each one of you, and our very best wishes for a successful year!

individual who made the greatest contribution to ETVC during 1986-87 was Martina. We know Martina will continue to shine as she takes on her new role as Outreach Committee Co-Chair, and we thank her sincerely for her love and commitment.

Service awards were also presented to others for their contributions over the past year, including Susan, Lorraine, Nancy Ann, Lyn, Phyllis, Fifi, Loren, Davida, Diahanna, Karin and Lenny Mollet of the Chez Mollet. Thank you -- from all of us to all of you!

The View From the Chair

KIM'S KORNER

WHY VOLUNTEER ???

Why should you spend some time helping ETVC stay an outstanding gender group?

After all, volunteering takes time, effort, and the T.O.G.s (The Other Gals) will do it Right? Unfortunately not.

There are several reasons why members should volunteer to help on the SOCIAL, OUTREACH, HOSTESS or SPECIAL PROJECTS committees. It's something that you can really be interested in as opposed to your regular work .... what's surprising is that you can really learn from helping out. Learning how to plan a party, give a talk, write a press release, put up decorations, or be a hostess, can really help you in many other facets of your life. Hostesses get to meet lots of interesting people and some become new friends.

Don't volunteer to help out ETVC..volunteer to help yourself and have fun doing some \* really exciting things. Give yourself a chance to have fun at a committee meeting the next great idea may be yours! ETVC committees also stay on top of what's Recognized at the May Business Meeting as the . \* happening with other groups and they find places to shop and places to go. They discover these because they are involved, and they also get a good feeling about helping ETVC stay the #1 gender group in the United States. For yourself and for ETVC, \* don't delay. JOIN AN ETVC COMMITTEE TODAY. ★ You'll be glad you did.

> As my last official column, I want to congratulate Gloria on becoming Coordinator of ETVC, and I hope you will give her ALL THE SUPPORT you gave me.

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ETVC Parties, Meetings & Social Events	Parties, (415) FOR INFORMATION AND DIRECTIONS.   * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *					
JULY 30 - FRI	ENDSHIP SOCIAL	8 PM Members \$3 - Guests \$5				
Don't be bashful come and get acquainted with the girls. This month's social is being planned for you to get to know one another. The emphasis is on relationships, networking and discovering the varied and interesting personalities that are a part of our unique club. In the relaxing atmosphere of the Chez Mollet, new members and old-timers can mix and mingle.						
To encourage you to meet as many new friends as you can, there will be Friendship Cards (a game of Name Bingo), fun prizes and a chance to meet some wonderful people. SEE YOU THERE!						
	CH-WEAR FASHION SHOW	8 PM Members \$5 - Guests \$8				
It's August, it's warm and it's time for the beach. Sun, sea and sky beckon you. But, what to wear? The ETVC girls have some suggestions. They will be showing you swimsuits, wraps, robes, sun-dresses and all the accessories for that fun-in-the-sun look. These fabulous, beautiful models will circulate through the Chez Mollet audience to show and tell you about their choices of all the new colors, fabrics and patterns available for the fun-loving girls of summer. COME SEE THE SHOW!! OR, COME <u>BE</u> THE SHOW!! If you've ever dreamed of being a model, and have something you would like to show in the						
* to be the model	you've always dreamed of being join us, in the Evening .					
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V de V ya es	WALK LIKE A WOMAN! earn poise, grace and confi- ence in your feminine self! ou are cordially invited to articipate in a class offered specially to ETVC members by cancesca Valdez, founder of	This introductory class is being organized by Diane Richwine of ETVC, and will be given on Saturday, August 8th, from 3-6 PM at Chez Mollet. The cost will be \$7.00 per person. Afterward there will be a "Happy Hour", followed by our usual Saturday Night Social. If you didn't already sign up at the last ETVC social, you can still participate by calling Diane at (415)				
	F. Modeling Co. You can iscover the secrets of moving ike a model, you will walk way with new poise and grace	Francesca is available for individuals sessions, and a special rate will be offered to members of ETVC.				
	nd learn all about feminine ody language.	So, come on! Try it out! It will be a fun afternoon, and you will walk away a new woman!				
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San Francisco	o. No-host cocktails and dini 10 PM. If you plan to have d	27 Bryant Street (between 3rd and 4th) in ing facilities are available. Dinners are linner, please phone the Chez Mollet at them you're with the ETVC group.				
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# TV/TS/TG GROUPS AND ACTIVITIES

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# A CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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JU	INE	1987				
	25	ETVC	June Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	28	ETVC	Gay Freedom Day Booth	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at Noon
JU	LY	1987				
	1	Pac Ctr	Open Rap	Berkelev	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	2	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	3	RGA	0	No meeting due to	the holiday weekend	
	5	ETVC	Executive Committee	San Francisco	415-367-0986	Starts at 2 PM
	6	ETVC	Outreach Committee	Redwood City	408-984-5619	Starts at 8 PM
	7	ETVC	Significant Others Support	San Jose	415-585-5204	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	7	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	9	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	10	ETVC	Poker Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	11	ETVC	Saturday Night Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	14	ETVC	Social Committee	San Jose	408-243-3919	Starts at 7:30 PM
	14	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	15	Pac Ctr	Open Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	16	ETVC	Couples Social	Fremont	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	17	RGA	Social	San Jose	408-988-0790	Starts at 8 PM
	21	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	23	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	25	SGA	Social	Sacramento	916-372-5451 or 916-371-84	
	28	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	30	ETVC	July Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	30	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	31	Pac Ctr	TV/TS Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
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	1	ETVC	Executive Committee	Foster City	415-367-0986	Starts at 2 PM
	1		Miss California U.S.A Pageant	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8PM
	3	ETVC	Outreach Committee	Redwood City	408-984-5619	Starts at 8 PM
	4	ETVC	Significant Others Support	Oakland	415-585-5204	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	4	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	5	Pac Ctr	Open Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	6	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	7	RGA	Social	San Jose	408-988-0790	Starts at 8 PM
	8	ETVC	Walk Like A Woman	San Francisco	415-540-7938	3 - 6 PM
	8	ETVC	Saturday Night Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	11	ETVC	Social Committee	Berkeley	408-243-3919	Starts at 7:30 PM
	11	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	13	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	14	ETVC	Poker Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	18	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
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	20	ETVC	Couples Social	Foster City	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	20	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	21	RGA	Social	San Jose	408-988-0790	Starts at 8 PM
	25	Pac Ctr	TS Support	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
	27	ETVC	August Social	San Francisco	415-585-5204	Starts at 8 PM
	27	GIA	TG Support	San Francisco	415-467-5285	Starts at 8 PM
	28	Pac Ctr	TV/TS Rap	Berkeley	415-841-6224	Meets 8 - 10 PM
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ETVC is a non-sexual, membership based organization with the purpose of serving the educational, social, and recreational needs of gender-challenged people, their spouses, significant others, family members, friends, and professionals in the helping services. The ETVC Newsletter is published in February, April, June, August, October and December. Newsletter contents reflect the opinions of the contributors and the editor, and are not necessarily those of ETVC. Other organizations may reprint or reproduce portions of the newsletter for their members, provided ETVC is acknowledged. For details about ETVC programs, membership and classified ads, please write to: ETVC Secretary, PO Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101.

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Cathy, my wife, and I had an exciting time appearing on the May 22nd "People Are Talking" show. It was a very positive experience as we discussed crossdressing and how it has affected our relationship. With us were Cheryl and Karen from Virginia. They have come out to the public to inform everyone about how couples can deal with crossdressing. They have been featured in a Woman's World article and a short segment on "Hour Magazine" which led to the local show. It was a pleasure to see Cheryl again and meet Karen, her wife. There were also several of our members in the audience. Diahanna explained about telling her children and how they reacted. Diane Hall was called on for a question and Lynne and Jennifer were also in the audience. After the show we all talked with several people from the audience. They seemed to be sincerely interested and were very supportive. The show was fun thanks to our friendly hosts Ann and Ross. We have also been contacted by more than 25 other people who were interested in our group.

For those of you seeking more information about crossdressing, transsexualism or other gender issues, I would like to mention the Human Outreach Institute. You might be interested in their 45 page catalog of related articles, booklets and books. The catalog is available for \$5.00 by writing to Human Outreach and Achievement Institute, Kenmore Station, Box 368 Boston, MA 02215. They also produce "Our Sorority" a monthly newsletter to serve the gender community. And if you have the time and money this fall you might want to attend the Fantasia Fair held October 16th through the 25th in Provincetown, Massachusetts. This week long event is both an educational and entertaining event. With fashion and beauty courses as well as several other programs for learning and personal growth there's still plenty of time for

The Article library has two new additions: Virginia Prince's keynote speech from the first IFGE convention "Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow or Where We Were, Where We Are And Where We Might Go In The Future" is available for \$1.00. "Skin Savvy" is the first article of what we hope will be monthly contributions from Katheryn Ann Balicki in a series entitled "Kathy's Notebook". It is available for \$0.50. For a complete listing of our articles please send \$2.00 to ETVC Library, Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101.

It was so nice to receive the BCNews from the Association Beaumont Continental in France. Unfortunately it's entirely in French (what would you expect?). So, if any of our members could translate this it would be greatly appreciated, so that we can see what our French sisters are up to.

As part of the effort to Reach Out to others it is important that we remember to Reach Out to those who are new to our group. They are just beginning to explore their femininity to it's fullest. It's easy to forget the days of hiding the feminine part of ourselves. Once you have found ETVC and have grown through your experiences, don't forget that every month there are others who are taking that first step out of the closet. They found out about our support group and summoned up the courage to come to a meeting. Please take the time and make an effort to make them feel welcome.

My best wishes go out to our new Outreach co-chairs

Martina and Loren. Please offer your help to them to continue our efforts to Reach Out.

My thanks go out to all who have helped us to Reach Out

Next Outreach Meetings are: July 6th and August 3rd

FROM KAYE . . .

A BETTER WAY



Our culture presents us with special challenges, most of which we as cross dressers invent out of necessity.

The purpose of my column is to share these discoveries and make life a bit easier, a lot more fun and perhaps even glamorous.

While I'll be relating my own discoveries, why not share your discoveries also for this column. Think your ideas through thoroughly, jot them down and send them to me: Kaye Fisher, PO Box 433, Corte Madera, CA 94925. I'll be sure you receive full credit for your contribution.

If you are a user of the new press-on type nails and are less than happy with the glue tabs which are included, here is a tip to stop the usual end of the day or evening nail wobble.

I have found that contact cement works beautifully. It's relatively fast, easy to apply and holds nails in place with strength and durability. I've gone three days with only minor adjustments.

There are many brands on the market but the best I've used is a cement made by Ross Chemical of Detroit, Michigan 48209. It's sold in the hardware glue section in K-Mart and other major drug and variety stores at about \$1.50 a tube, enough for 25 or more applications. It comes in a blister carded tube package usually on a peg. The tube allows ease of application and keeps the glue from drying out in the container.

You apply a coating of glue to the plastic nail and let it dry while you finish your makeup or dressing. When you're ready to "go" apply a coating of glue to your own nails and let it dry for 10 to 15 minutes. Then start to affix the nails to your own nails being careful to align the nail correctly. Bonding is instant and strong with no margin for adjustment. Press each nail with finger pressure for about 10 seconds, pressing out any tiny air bubbles. You can now manicure and shape the nails to your preferred length or shape. Keep them dry for at least 1½ hours if possible.

Here's the great part. When the nails are ready to be removed, apply even outward pressure on the tip and edges and the nail will separate from your own nail, taking all the glue with it. Now merely place the nails in a glass of cold water overnight. Then with the help of a pin simply remove the glue from the plastic nail in one clean action. Every bit of glue pulls off and your nails are like brand new to use over and over again.

Having most colors of Lee Press Ons, I keep them in a molded compartment plastic storage box, purchased in the fishing equipment section of most stores. I also prefer to apply the glue with a small disposable children's paint brush found in a dime store.

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MISS CALIFORNIA U.S.A. PAGEANT SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 1987 Don't miss the best and most prestigious female impersonator pageant, the Miss California U.S.A. Beauty Pageant, to be held Saturday, August 1st, at 8 PM at The San Franciscan Hotel, 1231 Market St., SF, tickets \$15.00 in advance, \$20.00 at the door. (For tickets call 387-6288). This Pageant is presented by our friend, Joanna Caron, and is a super spectacle. You will be very well entertained, so do plan to go!	MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS NOW DUE Don't forget all memberships in ETVC, regardless of when purchased, need to be renewed as of June 1, 1987 at the annual rate of \$10.00 for a full year of fun and good friendship.	
	FETISHISTS WANTED Bay Area Mensa SexSyg is looking for dedicated fetishists to give a talk/ demonstration about their interest. Call Karin at 408- details and a Mensa contact.	

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The Reversible Sex-Change Operation #2 by Cara

Many of us have had the experience of getting caught dressed. Such an experience is delightful only in porno novels.

I was thirteen -- unhappily the last age at which I really could have passed, even without a make-over by Herman. One night my parents returned home unexpectedly. There was no time to get out of garter belt, hose, panties, bra, slip, dress, heels, earrings, necklace, lipstick, rouge, eye make-up -- also my hand was stuck in a jar of vasoline.

"hi, Ma. Hi, Dad. What do you think of my costume for the school play?"

Over the next few years I was in a lot of school plays.

"But why don't they ever have girls playing those parts?" my mother wanted to know.

"Is it really necessary to wear all that stuff underneath?" my father asked, obviously ignorant of Method Acting.

Indeed, I told them, Stanislovsky required I wear feminine undergarments when I put my own shirt and pants back on. Oh, the sacrifices one must make for art. And to think I wasn't even taking Drama. What dedication!

- To be continued -

#### GROUP PSYCHOTHERAPY FOR TVs

Group psychotherapy for TVs-- "The Men's Group"-- is being proposed.

Purpose? Improve self-esteem; be more successful in relationships; learn how to navigate the difficult issues in life.

What it won't do: push a point-of-view; be a social; cure TVs.

Its real value? Would provide a healing space for men without having to worry about being a TV.

Interested? Questions? Call Karin at 408evenings.

#### ABOUT "PEOPLE ARE TALKING"

When the invitation to appear was made, I decided almost immediately that I would want to be fully "out" -- not silhouetted, or in some way still hiding. To obscure who I am would only reinforce a doubtful image.

At the same time, I decided I would seek unanimous support from everyone in the family as a condition of appearing, even if the appearance was visually or aurally masked.

That support did not materialize.

I mention this because some people believe TV's are overly self-centered, and lack sensitivity.

I declined the offer to appear out of consideration for those closest to me, and who have already supported me far beyond my most optimistic expectations.

It seems an appropriate blend of freedom, responsibility, and compassion go a long way toward making things work.

--Karin

#### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS ...

We ended the 1986-87 year with 263 members compared to 216 the preceding year. The balance in the Treasury is \$1154.

Many thanks to the contributors of this Newsletter -- Kaye, Karin, Cara, Gloria, Dianne L. Davida, Sheila, Diane R. -- and to the Newsletter Committee, Vanessa, Lyn, Susan, Nancy Ann, Diana H. and Martina.

A NEW ENDEAVOR FOR SIGNIFICANT OTHERS

The Significant Others Support Group is now putting together a national newsletter for the benefit of all Significant Others. The first newsletter will be available soon. If any Significant Other has a problem, question, story, article or any useful information that other Significant Others can relate to or respond to, please submit it to The SOS Network News, c/o ETVC, PO Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101.

All information will be treated in a strict confidential manner, and will be identified by State only. For further details, please call Lyn at (415)

#### COUPLES SOCIAL -- JULY 16TH NEW TV/TS SUPPORT GROUP Our ongoing Couples Social will celebrate A new support-rap Group for people who are its Second Anniversary at Rita's home in interested in discussing transsexualism and Fremont on July 16th ... complete with transvestism and related issues such as Anniversary Cake, singing, laughing, talk-Hormones, Sexuality, AIDS, VD, Cross-dressing -- the whole bit. For those who have ing, etc., is now meeting on Tuesdays from attended regularly, the Couples Social has 7-9 PM at the Tenderloin Self Help Center. been a very enjoyable and effective group. 191 Golden Gate Avenue in San Francisco. Even though this is a "Couples" Social, you The sessions are free to participants. don't have to be a "couple" to come. Every one is invited .. be sure to bring an item These meetings will be moderated by for the buffet table. For directions and Christine Tayleur, student in Transpersonal details, call Lyn at (415) Psychology, who has been the facilitator of the TV/TS Rap Group at Pacific Center for the past three years. SPECIAL SIGNIFICANT OTHERS JULY \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* MEETING The S.O.S. meeting in July will meet on TV-TS TAPESTRY Tuesday evening, July 7th at 8:30 P.M., P.O. Box 19 Wayland, MA 01778 at Harriet's home in San Jose. It will (617) 358-5575 be a special meeting, since we will once Tastetul, comprehensive, nonagain have Mildred Brown, well known sex profit journal for all persons interested in cross-dressing therapist, with us to give us her valuable and transsexualism input. For details and directions, call Single copy \$10. Subscription \$30 (\$40 ist class) \*\* With this ad \$10 of each subscription will be rebated to ETVC Lyn at (415)

Gender Identity Anonymous (GIA) is a non-judgemental transgender support group. It meets each Thursday at 8 PM in the Science of Mind Room, 3255 Balboa Street (at 34th Avenue), San Francisco.

The Pacific Center for Human Growth, a counseling-oriented growth center, sponsors drop-in support groups for transsexuals each Tuesday at 8:00 PM. All-inclusive gender support groups meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, and last Friday of the month at 8:00 PM. The Center is located at 2712 Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley.

The Rainbow Gender Association (RGA), formerly the San Jose GGA, meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 8:00 PM at the New Community of Faith Church, 6350 Rainbow Drive, San Jose. RGA can also be contacted by writing: Rainbow Gender Association, POB 700730, San Jose, CA 95170.

### **MEMBERSHIP IN ETVC**

Membership in ETVC entitles you to:

o a membership card for positive ETVC identification;

reduced admission to ETVC events; 0

o a free subscription to the ETVC Newsletter;

reduced rates for other ETVC publications and services; 0

o participation rights as a candidate and/or voter in ETVC elections; o participation rights in ETVC Executive Committee meetings;

o the support and strength of the best gender community on the West Coast!

Membership records are held in strict confidence by ETVC. Membership cards must be shown upon entry at ETVC socials, or non-member admissions will be applied.

Please print! MAILING NAME:	MAIL-IN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM			
MAILING ADDRESS:				
	ZIP:			
PREFERRED NAME:				
Please remit \$10.00	by check or money order to: ETVC, PO Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101			

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> Certified checks or Money Orders should be made payable to J2CP Information Services. Please specify whether you are male-to-female, female-to-male, or transvestite writing. If transsexual, please provide your place of birth.

# PERSONAL ADS

ETVC will accept personal ads from ETVC members at the rate of \$1 per 3 lines. We will not accept ads with a purely sexual objecper 3 lines. We will not accept due with a puter, actual objective. Send ad copy and a check for the appropriate amount to ETVC, P.O. Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101. Deadlines are the first weekend of the month of publication Theorem (A publication).

(June, August, October, December, February & April). Information on rates and terms for ads other than the standard size is available on written request to our P.O. Box address above.

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