Because of our current financial condition, this month's newsletter is an abbreviated version. Membership fees of $5 have not been enough to cover the cost of our newsletter. ANY donations are appreciated. MERCI!

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-HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA: The 3rd Atlantic Conference of Lesbians and Gaymen was attended by about 50 people, including 4 NLN members, people from FLAG (Fredericton Lesbians and Gaymen), and Gay Alliance for Equality (GAE) of Halifax. All workshops were held at The Turret, the GAE-owned licensed disco. A big dance was held Saturday night. Some results of the conference in brief: An Atlantic Gay Network is forming - NLN, FLAG, and GAE representatives will meet in Fredericton during late January, 1981 to discuss the needs and goals of each group and of the region as a whole, and to maintain an on-going dialogue among the gay organizations in the Maritimes. Rural Outreach - Emphasis was placed on a program being developed by each group to contact rural gay women and men in each of our areas; also, to encourage Moncton and St-John area lesbians and gaymen to organize. Quarterly journal 'Making Waves' will be produced by and for the Atlantic Gay Community.

Stories, articles, poetry, essays, and art work (black and white) are requested. Mail submissions or requests for subscriptions to R. Metcalf, care of GAE.

-FREDERICTON, N-B: Women of NLN are encouraged to get in touch with lesbian members of FLAG, c/o J. Wenner. FLAG's Saturday night socials continue. Bring your NLN membership card to 565 Prospect, opp. F'tn.Mall.

- TORONTO (via Halifax): Rev. Brent Hawkes of the Toronto Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) has presented a cheque for $50 to NLN to enable us to help establish more ties throughout the Maine/New Brunswick areas. Rev. Hawkes is a native of Bath, N-S. The MCC is a Christian church with a special ministry to the lesbian/gay male community; there are 27,000 members in 146 churches in 8 nations worldwide.

-AUGUSTA, MAINE: NLN is represented at planning sessions for the 8th Maine Lesbian and Gaymen's Symposium, scheduled for May 8, 9, 10th, 1981, in Portland. Because of NLN's input, there will be workshops offered in French for francophone and bilingual gays. Next planning session: Saturday, December 6th, 1pm, Student Union at the University of Maine at Orono. NLN members are encouraged to attend.

-CARIBOU, MAINE: NLN's membership is 61 and growing! Do you know someone who may be interested in joining?

- SPECIAL GATHERING: NLN's November 30th meeting will be a special one. Members of FLAG have been invited to attend our business/social reunion. All NLN members are urged to attend and to meet our gay sisters and brother from Fredericton to establish more ties throughout the Maine/New Brunswick region. If you can, please bring something for our pot-luck meal (members: see enclosed map for specifics). Also, one of our Aroostook County legislators has been invited to address the group and speak about state legislation which affects gay people.

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**NLN CALENDAR:**

- Sat. 22 Nov. - Gay dance, MCA Center, College Ave., UMO Campus, Orono.
  - Sponsored by the lesbians and gaymen of the Wilde-Stein Club. $1. EXC!
- Thurs. 27 Nov. - U.S. Thanksgiving *gobble-gobble*
- Sun. 30 Nov. - Special NLN gathering with FLAG, 1pm (US time)
- Sat. 6 Dec. - Planning meeting for Symposium VIII, 1pm (US), UMO-Orono
- Sun. 28 Dec. - NLN December meeting
- Wed. 31 Dec. - NLN 'Beaux Arts' New Year's Costume Ball (proposed)

Your membership is important to us, but even more to you. As a community, we are only as vital as our membership. Our goal is to reach out to the gay women and men in this rural region and help them to deal with their sexuality in a supportive and comfortable way. Won't you join us as a member of NORTHERN LAMBDNA NORD?

**MEMBERSHIP** (includes newsletter)...$5.00

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