

Communiqué

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If your mailing label says "Past.", then your membership has expired. PLEASE RENEW! Use the enclosed form.

SO THEY SAY

Why, you have your own chapter of 'Queer Nation' up here! - Woman 'from away' reacting when she learned that some gaymen regularly dance at Yusef's in Caribou, so they can "maintain our right to dance" at the mostly-straight establishment.



GAY-LESBIAN PHONELINE

APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO AROOSTOOK UNITED WAY

Northern Lambda Nord has submitted an application to the United Way of Aroostook for funding for the Gay-Lesbian Phonenumber. The nine-page application was much more extensive than that submitted last year. The Phonenumber applied in 1990 but was told that the application was received after their deadline. This year's request for funding was submitted in time.

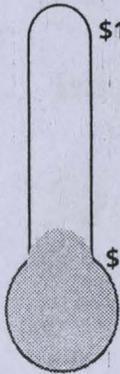
One glaring difference this year is the addition to the United Way's criteria for admission. "The [United Way Admissions and Allocations] Committee does not intend that compliance with the criteria necessarily establishes expectation of a favorable recommendation by the Admissions and Allocations Committee, or action by the United Way of Aroostook Board of Directors. The United Way of Aroostook reserves all rights to consider other factors in evaluating applications submitted to it."

One requirement for inclusion in the local fundraising drive is that "services shall be open to all persons in need regardless of religion, race, sex, age, national origin, color or any other such basis." In the Phonenumber's cover letter submitted with the application, clarification of "or any other such basis" was requested, specifically asking if that phrase includes "sexual orientation".

NLN will be notified after the first of the year as to the success of the application. ▼

BUILDING FUND

\$10,000 GOAL



\$850.99
U.S. funds
as of
10/27/91

The NLN Building Fund is designed to raise money for a community center for this region. The center would house the phonenumber, library, office, meeting space, and party space. Since NLN is a 501(c)3 group, all donations are tax-deductible on federal U.S. income tax; merely ask for a receipt. Donations of any amount - U.S. or Canadian funds - are appreciated. ▼

SYMPOSIUM UPDATE

The Maine Lesbian and Gaymen's Symposium XIX will be held at the University of Maine at Presque Isle over the Memorial Day weekend, May 22-25, 1992. The Symposium Organizing Committee is meeting the third Sunday of every month. Here's what's been planned so far. **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:** Hon. David Scondras, openly-gay member of the Boston City Council, and Anne Bishop, activist from Halifax, Nova Scotia. **LIP-SYNC CONTEST:** This will be the second annual Symposium contest. In conjunction with the lip-sync, there will be a "vogueing" category. **NAMES QUILT:** The Maine NAMES Project will bring eight 12x12' panels of the Quilt to Presque Isle. The panels will be on display in the UMPI gym during the week preceding Symposium, and will be open to the public. During Symposium weekend, the Quilt will be for viewing by Symposium registrants; it will not be open to the general public. The Maine NAMES Project is trying to bring as many Quilt panels of Mainers and Maritime Canadians as possible. **REGISTRATION** will be \$18 (US funds) for the entire weekend, which will include admission to all events: opening and closing plenary sessions, workshops, discussion groups, panel discussion, films, dance, entertainment, lip-sync contest. *Anyone who would like to help with Symposium or who wants to know more about the annual conference is invited to a meeting.* (See members' calendar, or call the Gay-Lesbian Phonenumber in Caribou, 207.498-2088). ▼

Do more
than belong.
Participate.



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BOOK REPORT

Northern Lambda Nord's lending library, **Bibliothèque Lambda**, is approaching 1000 volumes in size. Slow, steady progress is being made on cataloguing the collection. When complete, a master library list will be sent to each Lambda member. Here are some recent additions to the library.

☞ **INDIVISIBLE: new short fiction by west coast gay & lesbian writers**, edited by Terry Wolverton and Robert Drake (1991). A collection of works by 24 new writers. "This collection shows what a powerful, insightful and moving unified voice gaymen and lesbians have when we take on the deepest challenges of life - loving, touching, resisting, dying and changing the world." (Joan Nestle, co-editor of *Women on Women*)

☞ **MEN CONFRONT PORNOGRAPHY** edited by Michael S. Kimmel (1991). A collection of 35 essays in which men candidly examine the role of pornography in their own lives. "Men look at pornography, but we do not see it."

☞ **IN SEARCH OF GAY AMERICA** by Neil Miller (1989) Details the diversity of gay and lesbian life in America in the late 1980s. "Neil Miller writes with passion and understanding in a fine and vivid style. This is an important book, a needed book, and should be read by every citizen of the United States who cares about real people and the courage of real people to stand openly on the frontier." (May Sarton - poet and Mainer)

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THE SAFER THE SEX, THE BETTER

CONSIDERED SAFE:

Mutual masturbation, Hugging/body rubbing, Massage, Social (dry) kissing, Fantasy, Light S/M (without bleeding or bruising), Sex toys (when used only on yourself)

CONSIDERED POSSIBLY SAFE:

Anal or vaginal intercourse with a condom, French (wet) kissing, Sucking (but stopping before climax), Watersports (external only), Cunnilingus

CONSIDERED UNSAFE:

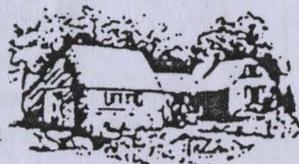
Swallowed semen, Anal or vaginal intercourse without a condom, Watersports in mouth or on skin with sores or cuts, Sharing IV needles, Fisting or rimming, Sharing enema equipment, douching equipment, or sex toys

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GAY/LESBIAN PHONELINE 207.498-2088 TDD/Voice - staffed Wed, 7-9pm (Maine)

AROOSTOOK AREA GAY/LESBIAN AA GROUP meets Sundays, 7pm (Maine time) in Madawaska. Groupe bilingue/bilingual group. Call 207.498-2088 to make contact

AIDS/SIDANew Brunswick 800.561-4009

AIDSLine/Maine 800.851-AIDS - staffed Mon & Wed 10am-5pm; Tues 9am-4:30pm; Thurs 10am-2pm; Fri 10am-4:30pm

AM CHOFSI Maine Jewish group, meets monthly; 207.871-1014 (Bob)

DIGNITY/MAINE Catholic group, POB 8113, Portland 04104

GAIS & LESBIENNES DE MONCTON/GAYS & LESBIANS OF MONCTON (GLM) CP/POB 7102, Riverview E18 1V0, 506.858-1013

GALES NOR GAYS CP/POB 983, Bathurst, NB E2A 4H8

GAY/LESBIAN ALLIANCE University of Southern Maine, 88 Winslow Street, Portland 04103, 207.874-6596

GAY/LESBIAN COMMUNITY NETWORK POB 212, Bangor 04401, 862-5907/941-2189

GAY/LESBIAN PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP Portland, 780-4085/772-4741

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MAINE LESBIAN-GAY POLITICAL ALLIANCE POB 232, Hallowell 04347

NEW BRUNSWICK COALITION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS REFORM/LA COALITION POUR LA REFORME DES DROITS DE LA PERSONNE DU NOUVEAU-BRUNSWICK POB/CP 1556, Station/Succursale A, Fredericton E3B 5G2

OUR PAPER: A Voice for Lesbians and Gaymen in Maine, published monthly, 9 Deering Street, POB 10744, Portland 04104, 761-0733

OUTRIGHT: Portland Alliance of Gay & Lesbian Youth, age 22 and under, POB 5028, Station A, Portland 04102, 774-HELP/774-TALK

OUTRIGHT TOO Bangor area Gay-Lesbian Bisexual youth group, c/o POB 212, Bangor 04401

PWA (People With AIDS) COALITION OF MAINE 377 Cumberland Avenue, Portland 04101, 773-8500

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