

MAINE LESBIAN FEMINIST NEWSLETTER

August 1979

Meeting Notes, July 22, 1979

MLF Meeting Notes

A small gathering of women began the day with hellos and an impromptu workshop "What do you do after saying Hi?" Micky coordinated the general meeting which started with introductions and welcomes (especially for the two newcomers from way north).

Ideas from introductions:

1. "What do you do after saying hi?" workshop will continue at 1 p.m. next meeting.
2. Janice will do a poetry reading next meeting.

Treasury Report & Money Business:

1. Account status: General fund \$84.22; Newsletter fund \$142.16.
2. New account (savings) was opened to save money for a mimeograph machine; contains \$14.80 from donations so far.
3. Maine Gay Symposium VI is donating some profit from the symposium to MLF (approx. \$30-40).
4. Haymarket Foundation (a private organization) is entertaining grant proposals. There is reason to believe that MLF could receive a considerable grant if someone would come up with a good proposal. Ideas and inquiries may be sent to the newsletter.

Old Business:

1. Treasury issue discussed: Since the main use of the treasury is the newsletter, it was resolved to have the treasury accounts in the same location as the newsletter.
2. Advertising: The question of whether an advertisement had yet been placed in the Maine Times was raised. The ad had not been placed as of the meeting but should be done in the near future.

New Business:

1. Advertising: It was noted that the Women's Yellow Pages has a short write-up about MLF.
2. Mimeograph: Marjorie is checking the possibility of a free mimeograph machine courtesy of the (late) Women's Center in Bath. She volunteered to transport machine to newsletter staff.
3. ****HOLLY NEAR CONCERT**** Concert will be held Sept. 16 7 p.m. at the USM gym. Sponsored by PIRG, contact Donna 780-4044 for tickets or information. We hope to have tickets available at the next meeting - price \$4.50 with a sliding scale on affordability. If interested in helping with an MLF information table at the concert, contact Sparky. Housing for out-of-towners will be available.
4. Newsletter admissions: The newsletter is setting policy to print admissions unedited. Meeting notes will appear with corrections and additions appearing at the end.
5. Next meeting: Meeting set for August 18 (sat) at Marjorie's house in Cundy's Harbor. Workshop at 1pm, leaving for beach at 2! (Thank you, Deb, for your great job as Scribe!)

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Aug. 26 - Maine NOW 3rd annual Walk-For-Equality will be in Bangor on Wommin's Day. For more info write to Greater Bangor NOW, Dauphinee, 23 March St., Bangor.

Aug 23-26 - MICHIGAN MUSIC FESTIVAL. For more information write: WE WANT THE MUSIC COLLECTIVE, 1501 Lyons St. Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.

Future:- Sept 1 Dance - Belfast 8:30 - 12:30.

Sept. 2 Sun. Poetry reading in Belfast. 3-5p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Women's Writer's Center, Inc., a one-yr program in writing workshops and tutorials, in feminist literary history and esthetics, and in independent study projects. For further info and application: Women's Writer's Center, Inc., Williams Hall, Cazenovia College, Cazenovia, N.Y. 13035.

SHEPN KOYECH, an anthology of writings by Jewish Lesbians, has extended its deadline for the receipt of submissions to Dec. 15, 1979. For more info. write SHEPN KOYECH, P.O. Box 6050, Boston, MA.02209.

Law student seeks housing with lesbian(s) in Portland area for Sept-May this year. Must be neat and quiet. If you are moving to Portland and have no place as yet, contact me and we can seek together. I may be able to get a housesitting arrangement. (If you want your house sat, contact me!) E. Koch, Rte #5, Augusta, Me 04330 (or ask Directory Assistance for "Koch" in Readfield).

Lesbian/Feminist with 1 child seeking same (or without child) to share partially furnished, peaceful, rural home in Washington, Me. 1/2 hour from Rockland, Augusta and Damariscotta areas. Non-drinker, own transportation, employed, references. Partial wood heat, oil back-up. On town plowed dirt road. Shed, barn and 40 acres-privacy. \$100/mo plus 1/2 utilities Available Sept thru April or May. Call 845-2509, Janice or Rhody

Anyone who wants the license plate with SAPPHO on it can have it. Just ask at the Bureau of Motor Vehicles.

NOTES FROM JULY COMMITTEE MEETING

from what was formerly called the Belfast Wimmin's Center...

It was decided to follow the advertising policy and general philosophy of MLF. Events will be advertised in this newsletter. Mainly Gay, and Full Circle. The MLF P.O. Box # will be given as a way of contact for further information. Women who are not lesbians won't be excluded but we will not advertise locally and we will not advertise as a "Wimmin's Center" because at this time we aren't really set up that way. In fact, we are looking for a new name that will attract less attention. It was also decided that, whenever possible, women organizing events will come to a committee meeting and work out appropriate advertising. Whenever possible, women organizing an event will be responsible for seeing that advertising is followed through on, that donations are received, and calendar announcements are made. We would like to use an MLF contact list to get the word out in different areas about each event. Committee meetings are held once a month. Everyone is welcome! We would like more participation and sharing. Next meeting will be Aug. 21, Tuesday, 9:00 p.m. in Belfast.

AUGUST

CALENDAR OF EVENTS IN BELFAST

- Fri. Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31- COFFEE HOUSE - Coffee, tea, juice, dance, talk, play chess, anything can happen if we make it happen. Please come - 9-12.
Sat. Aug. 11 - Women's Film and Video Festival. We are expecting a large turnout and some great films including WITH BANNERS AND BABIES, EMERGING WOMEN, LOTTE JACOBI, AND WORKING WOMEN OF WALDO COUNTY plus others. 9-5
DANCE afterwards in the evening. 8:30 - 12:30 A good time to be had by all
Sat. Aug 13 - Kathryn & Margie in Concert. Original Women's music, coming to us all the way from Connecticut. They are terrific - 8:30, reception afterwards.
Tues. Aug 21 - Board meeting 9:00 p.m. - Belfast

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- Sat. Sept. 1 - DANCE - 8:30 to 12:30
Sun. Sept. 2 - Poetry Reading and Craft show, including pottery, macrame, woodwork, etc. If you would like to show your work please write to P.O. Box 125, Belfast 04915. Write to same if you are interested in reading your poetry.
PLEASE PASS THE WORD ABOUT THE EVENTS LISTED AND PLEASE COME JOIN US!! Otherwise we won't exist anymore!

AGENDA FOR NEXT MLF MEETING: Saturday, August 18 at Marjorie's in Candy's Harbor

- 11-1 - Hello's, how are yous. Fine and thank you and lunch (bring your own)
- 1-2 - "What do you do after saying hi?" Workshop -
- 2 - Beach
- 3 (?) - General Meeting
- 5 - Pot luck

DIRECTIONS: From South of Brunswick: Rt. 295 to Rt. 1 Bath-Brunswick coastal Rt. Go towards Brunswick about 1 1/2 miles. Sign overhead Rt. 1 to Bath. Take Rt. 1 to Cooks Corner. At Cooks Corner take Rt. 24 going to Orrs and Baileys Is. Turn left at Candy's Harbor Rd, exactly 4.3 miles from Cooks Corner. Go 4 mi, pass pond on your right. My house-2nd house on right, past pond, white house, semi-circle drive.
FROM NORTH: Take 95 (not the turnpike). Get off at Brunswick exit. Take Rt. 1 towards Bath, get off Cooks Corner. Same directions from South-call 725-6923 if necessary.

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