

Communiqué

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NEW BRUNSWICK REPORT

GROUPS CHOOSE LEADERS

✿ **Fredericton Lesbians and Gays, FLAG**, is alive and well. At a March 11 general membership meeting they elected a slate of executives to act as the group's governing body. These officers include president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and a chair and co-chair of the following committees: phonline, social, education, newsletter, and dance. The "FLAG MAG" is the name of their publication. They are also soliciting suggestions for a new name for the group. Anyone who has any suggestions or comments is encouraged to contact them. The only criterion is that the name reflect both lesbians and gays. FLAG, POB 1556, Station A, Fredericton E3B 5G2, 506/457-2156 (Monday & Thursday, 6-9pm).

✿ **The New Brunswick Coalition for Human Rights Reform/La Coalition pour la réforme des droits de la personne au Nouveau-Brunswick** chose its officers for the coming year at their annual general meeting March 27th at the Fredericton Unitarian Fellowship meeting hall. The NB Coalition is the organization working to amend the provincial Human Rights Code to include "sexual orientation" in the list of prohibited grounds of discrimination. They have formed a new Education Committee whose purpose is to meet the needs of those who want to learn more

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BUILDINGFUND

\$10,000
GOAL

\$ 1195.49
U.S. funds
as of
4/26/92

The NLN Building Fund is designed to raise money for a community center for this region. The center would house the phonline, 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. ▼

BOOK REPORT

Northern Lambda Nord's lending library, **Bibliothèque Lambda**, approaches 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 selected titles from the library.

⇒ **LANDSCAPE: MEMORY** a novel by Matthew Stadler (1990). This author's first novel is the story of young Max Kosegarten, a sensitive sixteen-year-old whose entries written daily in his memory book provide a record of his own and of the culture in which he lives. It is San Francisco, the summer of 1914, in preparation for the World's Fair celebrating the city's recovery from the devastation of the 1906 earthquake. Max and his young friend, Duncan, explore the fair, the woods, the ruins left behind by the earthquake, and their developing love.

⇒ **A WORLD OF LIGHT: Portraits and Celebrations** by May Sarton (1976). York, Maine resident Sarton celebrates those women and men who live, full of vitality and influence, in her waking memory. She brings them to life, and in doing so tells a great deal about herself.

⇒ **THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD AND HE KNOWS I'M GAY** by Rev. Troy Perry (1972) This autobiography of the founder of the predominantly-gay Metropolitan Community Church details his attempts to lead a "straight" life by marrying and having children, which only ended in his attempted suicide. Not until he was able to accept what he was did he begin to find inner peace and contentment.

⇒ **SONGS TO A HANDSOME WOMAN** by Rita Mae Brown (1973) This is a book of love poems, poems inspired by a single individual.

The library also contains numerous travel guides:

⇒ **INN PLACES: Worldwide Gay & Lesbian Accommodations, 1992.** Listings for Asia, Europe, the South Pacific, and the Americas.

⇒ **SPARTACUS GUIDE for Gay Men 1991/1992** The most complete guide to travel in every nation on the planet. Published in Germany, entries are in English, German, French, Spanish, and Italian and explain gay life and where to go (and not go) in each country.

⇒ **BOB DAMRON'S ADDRESS BOOK 1990** covers US, Canada, Puerto Rico, Virgin Island, and Mexico. What originated as a handy pocket-size guide is now over 1" thick. **BOB DAMRON'S ROAD ATLAS 1990** has detailed maps of 50 US cities plus Vancouver, Toronto, Montréal and Québec.

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than belong.
Participate.



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Listings include phonelines, accommodations, bars, cafés & restaurants, gyms, health clubs, women's services, religious organizations, and more.

⇒ **GAYELLOW PAGES 1991** The library has the Northeast and Southern/South Midwest editions; the Phoneline office keeps the National edition (US & Canada). Listings include businesses, resources, and services for lesbians and gaymen.

⇒ **NEW ENGLAND COMMUNITY GUIDE for Gaymen & Lesbians, 1990** Guide to the six New England states plus a special "Getaways" supplement featuring Montréal, Key West, Fort Lauderdale, Tampa, Ogunquit, and Provincetown.

⇒ **FLORIDA SEEN: Where it's happening in the Sunshine State, 1990** Details businesses, accommodations, and entertainment in Florida

⇒ **KEY WEST MAP AND DIRECTORY 1990** detailed street maps and listings of accommodations, businesses and other information about Key West

⇒ **"FUN MAPS" series, 1990** Street maps and information for travelers to: Washington DC/ Baltimore/Rehoboth Beach, Palm Springs/San Diego, and Northeast Resorts, including Provincetown, Fire Island, New Hope, Asbury Park, and country inns.

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DID YOU KNOW

- **FLAG DANCE** Friday, May 1 at Ecole St. Anne. Priestman St., Fredericton, 9pm, Theme: White Night
- **W.O.M.Y.N.'S COFFEE HOUSE** Friday, May 8, 7:30pm, Unitarian Fellowship, 749 Charlotte St, Fredericton
- **G.N.G. DANCE** Saturday, May 9, Chalet Sportif, rue Golf, Bathurst
- As of February 29, 1992, 286 cases of AIDS have been reported in Maine; 158 of those persons have died; there are 35 cases in northern Maine, 101 in central Maine, 150 in southern Maine
- "Much To Do About Something" an evening of song to benefit The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, Saturday, May 9, 8pm, McAuley Performing Arts Center, 631 Stevens Ave, Portland
- **9th INTERNATIONAL AIDS CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL AND MOBILIZATION in Portland** on Sunday, May 17, 6pm - candlelight gathering at Monument Square, memorial gathering at St. Luke's Cathedral, State Street; in **Saint John** on Sunday, May 17, 7pm at the Centenary Queen Square United Church; in **Fredericton** Tuesday, May 19, 7:30pm at the Alumni Memorial Building Lounge, UNB; in **Moncton** on Sunday, May 24, 7pm at the Rotary Lodge, Centennial Park
- **NEW JERSEY** is the fifth state in the US to extend human rights protections to lesbians and gaymen. The state legislature passed the bill making it illegal to deny employment, housing, financing or credit on the basis of "affectional or sexual orientation." The law exempts religious organizations and homes that rent fewer than three rooms. The bill contains a broad definition of sexual orientation: "male or female, heterosexuality, homosexuality, or bisexuality by inclination, practice, identity, or expression, having a history thereof or being perceived, presumed or identified by others as having such an orientation."

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about the Coalition and/or sexual orientation in general. They plan to set up a speaker's bureau, and have already been approached by two different groups for presentations. They also intend to compile an information packet for speakers and to produce the Coalition's newsletter. Anyone interested in more information about the Coalition may write to POB 1556, Station A, Fredericton E3B 5G2. ▼

Gay/Lesbian G-U-I-D-E Lesbienne/Gai

NORTHERN LAMBDA NORD (NLN), CP/POB 990, Caribou, Maine 04736 USA

GAY-LESBIAN PHONELINE 207.498-2088 TDJ/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

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ACT UP/BANGOR POB 1554, 04402-1554, 947-3947

AIDS/SIDANew Brunswick 800.561-4009

AIDSLine/Maine 800.851-AIDS-Mon-Sat 9am-5pm, Mon & Wed till 7:30pm

AM CHOFJ Maine Jewish group, meets monthly; POB 5017, Portland 04101, 207.871-1014 (Bob) or 833-6004 (Susan)

APEX: A Point of Departure, published monthly by Phoenix Press, POB 4743, Portland 04412

DIGNITY/MAINE Catholic group, POB 8113, Portland 04104

EASTERN MAINE AIDS NETWORK POB 2038, Bangor 04401-2038, 990-EMAN

FREDERICTON LESBIANS & GAYS (FLAG) POB 1556, Station A E3B 5G2, 457-2156 (Mon & Thurs 6-9pm)

GAIS & LESBIENNES DE MONCTON/GAYS & LESBIANS OF MONCTON (GLM) CP/POB 7102, Riverview E1B 1V0, 506.858-1013

GALES NOR GAYS CP/POB 983, Bathurst 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

HARBOR MASTERS, INC. leather-levi group, POB 4044, Portland 04104

INTEGRITY Episcopalian group, St. Matthew's Church, 18 Union Street, Hallowell 04347, 623-3041/845-2985

LESBIAN/GAY COMMITTEE, MAINE CHAPTER, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS POB 5112, Station A, Portland 04102

MAINE BISEXUAL PEOPLE'S NETWORK POB 10772, Portland 04104

MAINE LESBIAN-GAY POLITICAL ALLIANCE POB 232, Hallowell 04347

NEW BRUNSWICK COALITION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS REFORM/LA COALITION POUR LA RÉFORME 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, 800.339-4042

OUTRIGHT CENTRAL MAINE for age 22 & younger, every Fri, 7:30pm 1st Unitarian Church, Pleasant St, Auburn; POB 802, Auburn 04212, 800.339-4042

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