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Spring has finally arrived. It's the first week of May; the temperature has climbed to 18° (N-B)/65° (Maine). Yet on the north slopes of hills and in low-lying gullies there are still small piles of snow which lay as a reminder.

I'm sitting on a log at the edge of the woods along the banks of the Aroostook River, just before sunset. It is quiet and peaceful, with only the sound of birds and the lapping of the water, quickly, silently flowing north, free of ice, still well above it's mid-summer banks. Through the wet soil push bright green leaves of new growth. It's a wonderful time of year, a time of rebirth, change, new beginnings -- we should celebrate the new year in the spring when Mother Nature does, not according to a calendar which makes its change during the dark and cold of mid-winter.

Northern Lambda Nord has gone through many changes since its birth nearly 2½ years ago. Many of the faces have changed -- through the addition of new friends and through the loss of members of our family who have left the area. These changes we can see. It's the changes that happen within each of us, the changes which we can't see which have the greatest effect upon us and upon those with whom we come in contact.

During my association with Lambda Nord, I've seen myself experience many changes. I've moved from northern Aroostook -- "the Valley" -- to southern Aroostook, and then north again to the center of the County. And now I find it's time to move again, just a little further north this time, where the winter lasts a few days longer and the sun is not as high in the sky in June. I've stayed in the area as long as I have in spite of the six month winter and the minus 40° (N-B and Maine). It's wonderful to take a walk in February and hear only the crunch of the crisp snow under my feet; or to go swimming under the hot August sun. I've stayed here in part because this region is rural and offers much which the city cannot provide. And I've stayed because this area is unique. Not just our sometimes harsh climate but because the County is a cultural cross-roads. The County, and especially the Valley, is not really a part of Maine alone. It's New Brunswick and it's Acadie as well. The people here speak English and French -- and Swedish in some parts.
réflexion des besoins et désirs de tous ces partisans, et non seulement la communauté lesbienne et gaie de Toronto. Ça fait deux ans, plus ou moins, depuis la dernière conférence, et beaucoup de personnes ont fait entendre leurs désirs de se rassembler de nouveaux pour partager nos expériences et nos espoirs pour le future. Comme il y a une conférence de l'International Gay Association à Washington peu après la nôtre, nous avons fait parvenir des invitations pour notre rencontre aux groupes lesbiennes et gaïs à l'étranger aussi.

"Faisons le" à l'intention d'être une conférence qui examine la tâche pratique et les problèmes de la libération gaie pendant les années '80. Nous espérons vous voir cette été.

Toronto Gay Community Council, 730 Bathurst St. Toronto, M5S 2R4

▼ LE CINÉMA GAI ▼

Au Madawaska, nous avons rarement l'occasion de voir des films explicitement gaïs sur les écrans de nos salles de cinémas. De mes propres connaissances, le dernier long métrage à thème gaï a circulé dans notre région a été "La Cage Aux Folles", qui fut présenté au cinéma du Centre à Edmundston. Par contre, il ne faut pas pour autant s'imaginer que le cinéma gaï est de courte haleine ou qu'une étincelle qui a aussi vite disparu qu'elle est apparue. En effet, laissez-moi vous assurer: le cinéma gaï est en parfaite santé! À la preuve, je vais vous parler de deux récents films dont j'ai récemment visionné à Montréal.

"Making Love", c'est un film qui discute l'histoire d'un couple hétérosexuel, bien marié depuis plus de 7 ans et dont le mari décide un jour d'affirmer son homosexualité. Le mariage est conséquemment rompu. La femme se marie éventuellement et vie heureusement avec sa petit famille. Michael Ontkean qui joue le rôle du mari homosexuel entreprend une relation sérieuse et bien gaie à New York. Le film connaît certaines faiblesses mais tout de même il traité d'une réalité bien concrète dans notre société. Pour tous ceux et celles qui se rendront à Québec prochainement, je vous recommande d'aller voir ce film dont les comédiens principaux sont Michael Ontkean (très charmant!) et Kate Jackson.

Le second film dont j'ai visionné est intitulé "Taxi to the Toilet". C'est le film autobiographique d'un professeur d'école Allemand qui passe ses soirées en dragant parmi les boîtes homosexuels et les toilettes publiques de Berlin. C'est certainement un film très apprécié par tous les voyeurs, car il est parfois plus explicite que plusieurs films porno-
Les courts métrages de l'Office national du film du Canada ont depuis plusieurs années déjà, acquitt une réputation d'excellence à l'échelle mondiale. Lois de plusieurs grands festivals de films internationaux, le Canada a reçu de nombreux prix attestant la qualité de son produit. Par contre, il en est pas de même pour l'industrie canadienne de long métrage. Au Canada même, le film américain domine la scène autant sur la télé qu'au cinéma. Il y a quand même de sérieux efforts qui ont été réalisés depuis quelques années et qui ont été réalisés depuis quelques années et qui ont réussi à relever le statut de l'industrie cinématographique au pays. Voici en 1981-82 quelques longs métrages canadiens qui se sont taillés une place de mérite non seulement au Canada mais aussi à l'étranger.


Par contre, l'honneur du meilleur film canadien en 1981, est passé à "Ticket to Heaven". Ce film raconte l'histoire d'un jeune et beau Torontois qui part pour le bon climat de San Francisco et qui devient la victime d'un secte religieux...
oriental. Le comédien principal de ce film, Nick Mancuso, fut choisi par l'Académie comme le meilleur comédien canadien pour l'année 1981.

Et dès les débuts de l'année 1982 un film de co-production canadienne et française a fait fureur dans les salles de cinémas, autant à Paris, qu'à Montréal et Toronto. Ce film c'est "La Guerre du Feu" (Quest for Fire). L'histoire nous raconte la découverte du feu par l'homme pré-historique. C'est un film exceptionnel, de très haute qualité de production. C'est un film à ne pas manquer.

**LE CINÉMA MADAWASKAYEN**


Soulignons, au'un jeune homme habitant Toronto mais originaire de Campbellton, soit Clay Boris, s'est rendu jusqu'au Festival de Cannes et fut sur la liste de nomination de l'Académie canadienne du cinéma en 1981 pour son film "Des souliers de crocodile" (Alligator Shoes). C'est l'histoire d'une famille acadienne du Nouveau-Brunswick qui déménage à Toronto et qui n'est ni accepté par les francophones ou les anglophones de cette ville.

**CALENDRIER ▼ CALENDAR ▼ CALENDRIER ▼ CALENDRIER**

**GROUPE DISCUSSION:** samedi, le 15 mai, 20h. (N-B), 19 h. (Maine), à Ferryhurst Siding (entre Caribou et Presque Isle). Sujet: Comme un homme gai ou comme une lesbienne au travail.

**SOUPER AU PROFIT DE LAMBDA NORD:** dimanche, le 16 mai, 17 h. (N-B), 16 h. (Maine), à Caribou (voir carte). Le menu:
- Egg rolls - Amaranth et carottes
- Soup chaud et aigre - avec sauce miel
- Cashew chicken - Crème glacée gingembre
- Riz (steamed) - fait à la main
- Riz (fried) avec porc - Saké
- Riz (fried) avec champignons - Thé noir
- et ciboules - Thé oolong

ASSOCIATION DES LESBIENNES ET GAYS DE L'ATLANTIQUE - rencontre:
À Frédéricton, sam 1, le 22 mai, 10 h., dans le Common Rock
Biologie Department à l'Université de Nouveau-Brunswick.
Dance gay/e: samedi, le 22 mai, 21 h., à la Kinsmen Centre,
School Street, (North) Frédéricton. Information: FLAGline,
506/472-9576, 457-2156.

RENCONTRE ET PARTY DU PRINTEMPS, LAMBDA NORD: dimanche, le 6 juin
1 h. (N-B), 13 h. (Maine), à Madawaska (voir carte)

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He was detained at the airport in San Francisco on June 13, 1979, when he arrived in that city to cover Gay Freedom Day events for GAY NEWS.

I've travelled through all of Europe and part of the Middle East, and it's only when I come to the land of the free that I have any trouble. The judge ruled that without medical certification of 'psychopathic personality', no one may be excluded from entering the United States because of their homosexuality.

I don't know what the U.S. government will do. They could accept the decision and the Justice Department could order the Immigration and Naturalization Service to conform nationwide, or they could appeal to the next highest court.

The effects of this raid are felt throughout the country, and the media have been driven out of the city. The police entered Glad Day Bookshop and selected two magazines for purchase. The assistant manager rang up the sale, the police identified themselves and arrested the shopkeeper on the charge of possession of obscene material for the purpose of sale.

Glad Day specializes in the sale of books, magazines, cards, and jewelry of interest to gaymen and lesbians, and arranges and sells two magazines for purchase. While the bookshop was closed, the assistant manager asked the police to leave the premises and arrested the shopkeeper on the charge of possession of obscene material for the purpose of sale.

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VNLN NEWS & NOUTAILLES NEWS

AND GAY ASSOCIATION MID-YEAR GATHERING:

Fredericton, Saturday, May 22, 1982

As of now, plans include an ALGA meeting/discussion at 10 am in the Common Room of the Biology Department at the University of New Brunswick. All NLN members are invited.

Saturday evening at 9 pm is a gayla soiree – a dance at the Kinsmen Centre, School Street in (North) Fredericton. Door charge is $2.50. There is a bar at the dance. Notification of this meeting and social has been sent to groups in Saint John, Moncton, Halifax, and a new group in Newfoundando. Housing will be available from other men. Be sure at the dance.

WOMEN’S GATHERING:
May 20–23, 1982

The NLN office is moving with the newsletter. Our mailing address will be outside. Weather permitting, our weekend will be held on Sunday June 6 at 1 pm Kadrers/2 pm-N-B in New York. The NLN office is scheduled for May 30, 1982.

NLN MAILING/SOCIAL:

San Francisco News & Nouvelles

After a three-year legal battle, a federal judge in San Francisco has ruled that the U.S. Government may not prevent non-American citizens from entering the country simply because they are gay. The ruling, which was handed down yesterday, is a victory for the gay rights movement in the United States. The decision opens the way for gay and lesbian people to travel freely to the U.S.

San Francisco News & Nouvelles

FLAG members are invited to a ride and a weekend on the road. Men can explore personal issues, their maleness, and their sex. This ride and a weekend on the road will be an outdoor project, with entertainment and use of Goose Bay facilities such as boats, fishing, cabins, and hiking trails.

Costs: sliding scale ($20-30) covers cost of meals (meatless), registration, workshops, transportation, and use of Goose Bay facilities such as boats, fishing, cabins, and hiking trails.

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Eggs rolls
Hot & sour soup
Cashew chicken
Steamed rice
Pork fried rice
Fried rice with mushrooms and scallions
Hand-cranked Street ice cream
Saki
Black tea
Oolong tea
Singers Ice

This scrumptious repast can be yours for only $1.00. All labour is donated and monies remaining after expenses belong to NLN. Don't delay—YOU MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS. All Lamb's and our 'Thanksgiving' are welcome. Gall Jonathan to reserve a seat: 207/493-3267. Details on several conferences are contained in the enclosed map. If you have not made reservations, you MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS! All Lamb's and our new conference on June 26-July 5, are available to the usual place.

FUNDRAISING SUPPER: Sunday, May 16, Chestnut, 4pm. Chestnut, 4pm.

Discussion Group: Saturday, May 15, 7pm. Mural, 8pm. N-B, at the usual place. Don't delay—YOU MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS! All Lamb's and our 'Thanksgiving' are welcome. Gall Jonathan to reserve a seat: 207/493-3267. Details on several conferences are contained in the enclosed map. If you have not made reservations, you MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS! All Lamb's and our new conference on June 26-July 5, are available to the usual place.

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DID YOU SEE •• •

the April 1 '82 issue of the Body Politic? This Toronto-based monthly magazine for gay liberation published a special report: "Rural Outreach: What? Gay people here?"
The article discussed organizations in small communities in Atlantic Canada. The illustration which accompanied the piece was a map showing the area served by a group which straddles the 'artificial borders' of New Brunswick, Maine, and Quebec.

It's interesting to read about our group in TBP. Oh, NLN has found its way into such gay publications as the ADVOCATE, and CHRISTOPHER STREET, but usually in passing.

At a recent Caribou Interlude (and partners) "Personal Best" weekend, members of the group built a walk-in ice sculpture and carved... "Every year when the snow melts, Jacques Lapointe says, 'there's a rest area on the interstate, which becomes a nice place to meet people.'"

The portrayal of homosexuals in recent films is the subject of the next "Sneak Previews," a weekly cinema-review program on WPMN - a note to WPMN (Box 86, Orono, ME 04473) is not a bad idea. The "Sneak Previews" is shown on WPMN, Channel 10.

And on Television...

During May and June, several gatherings will be available at our next several newsletters so read about our group in the Advocate, please.

AN ORIENTAL FUNDRAISER DELIGHT

During May and June, there's more news of the same old sort: A sumptuous dinner, prepared and served by gracious hosts and partners, will be available at an oriental fund raiser for Lambda Nordo.

The menu:

- Mains: Lamb of the Orient, broiled, seasoned with spices, and served with a vegetable medley.
- Sides: Steamed white rice, stir-fried vegetables, and a choice of two soups.
- Desserts: Fresh fruit salad, chocolate cake, or apple pie.
- Drinks: Choice of soft drinks or mineral water.

The event will be held on Sunday, June 13, at 5 pm (Maine) / 6 pm (New Brunswick). Oh, and it's happening at a sumptuous meal.

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, one method to raise money for Northern Lambda is through a sumptuous meal.

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The April 1 '82 issue of the Body Politic, Toronto-
And being a gayman in a rural, multicultural, multilingual, bi-national area is certainly an experience. I'm proud to be involved with Northern Lambda Nord. It's a group unlike any other on this whole planet. Lambda Nord has a lending library, Lambda Bibliotheque, with a collection of books and periodicals which can't be found in any other bookstore for hundreds of miles around. Northern Lambda Nord provides everything for everyone, and from new people.

I know even 1000 others who were as gay as we are, but in numbers, I imagine how strong each of us would feel if we were zero. They say there's strength in numbers. I'm not saying that one or two members want to do, not what one or two members want to do. The group becomes a reality if not just a few people are active in it, but if more people become active. This is why I see, and why we are.

It's generally accepted that homosexuals are about 50% of the population. If we say even 5%, there are 9000 gay women and men in this area. NTN is currently 47% out of 9000. Two and a half years ago, we were zero. They say there's strength in numbers. I'm not saying that one or two members want to do, not what one or two members want to do. The group becomes a reality if not just a few people are active in it, but if more people become active. This is why I see, and why we are.

The Lambda office contains a list of local and regional homophile-oriented news, and business meetings provide a safe, comfortable atmosphere where we can socialize and be ourselves. And all of this in only 2½ years. Lambda Nord has a lending library, with a collection of books and periodicals which can't be found in any other bookstore for hundreds of miles around. Northern Lambda Nord provides everything for everyone, and from new people.

If one or two headstrong individuals in NTN are going to run out of energy, it's insignificant. It's what the members want to do. The group becomes a reality if not just a few people are active in it, but if more people become active. This is why I see, and why we are.

It's the potential of NTN which I see, and which can only become a reality if not just a few people are active in it, but if more people become active. This is why I see, and why we are.
Dans le numéro précédent, en réponse à une rubrique de notre journal intitulée \"Vu, Lu et Entendu\", nous avons été informés de la tenue d'une conférence à Trois-Rivières, au cours de laquelle se suicideraient les homosexuels. Ce numéro est une illustration de ce propos, et nous avons décidé de le publier. Les dates précises de la conférence ne sont pas indiquées, mais il est prévu qu'elle se déroule du 26 juin au 5 juillet. Nous avons également reçu une lettre de M. Jean Pedneault, qui souligne que l'invitation de la conférence ne doit pas être interprétée comme un appel à la violence. Il invite tous les intéressés à participer, en particulier les lesbiennes et les personnes intéressées par la question de l'homosexualité.

Cette rubrique est un essai de découvrir des idées, surtout pour les lecteurs qui ne connaissent pas encore la question de l'homosexualité et pour ceux qui se sensibilisent à son importance. Nous sommes convaincus que la conférence sera un moment d'ouverture et d'échange, et nous espérons qu'elle permettra de faire avancer le débat.

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M. Jean Pedneault a répondu à notre rubrique \"Vu, Lu et Entendu\" en nous informant qu'il a été invité à participer à la conférence. Il nous a dit qu'il a accepté de participer à la conférence pour la communication, durant le week-end du 3 et 4 avril, au Cégep de Saint-Laurent. Il souligne que la conférence est ouverte à toutes les personnes qui s'intéressent à l'homosexualité, y compris les lesbiennes et les personnes hétérosexuelles. Il signale que la conférence aura lieu le 5 juillet, et que l'invitation a été envoyée au \"Toronto Gay Community Council\", qui enverra une délégation de Lambda. Il insiste sur le fait que l'invitation n'est pas une invitation à la violence, mais un appel à la réflexion sur la question de l'homosexualité.

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Voici une lettre que nous avons récemment reçue du \"Toronto Gay Community Council\", qui nous informe qu'ils préparent une conférence à Toronto au cours de laquelle se déroulera un festival de dix jours, du 26 juin au 5 juillet. Le comité qui organise la conférence, sous la direction du \"Toronto Gay Community Council\", invite tous ceux qui s'intéressent à l'homosexualité à participer. Il est prévu que la conférence se déroule à partir du 1er juillet, et que le festival continuera jusqu'au 5 juillet. Nous avons également reçu une lettre de M. Jean Pedneault, qui souligne que l'invitation de la conférence ne doit pas être interprétée comme un appel à la violence. Il invite tous les intéressés à participer, en particulier les lesbiennes et les personnes intéressées par la question de l'homosexualité.

Cette rubrique est un essai de découvrir des idées, surtout pour les lecteurs qui ne connaissent pas encore la question de l'homosexualité et pour ceux qui se sensibilisent à son importance. Nous sommes convaincus que la conférence sera un moment d'ouverture et d'échange, et nous espérons qu'elle permettra de faire avancer le débat.