

Calendar of Special Events

November

GAY AWARENESS WEEK



26 Elizabeth Gurley of Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays presents "Coming Out to Parents." 7pm, 211 Union.

27 "Sex in the '80s: Get What You Can, Not What You Don't Want," program sponsored by the NC Lesbian/Gay Health Project. 4pm, 226 Union

Presentation by TALF (Triangle Area Lesbian Feminists), 7pm, 209 Union.

28 "Coming Out in the Black Community," a program dealing with the special problems of minority gays. 4pm, 210 Union.

"Gay Political Strategies after the Elections," presentation by Tom Chorlton, Nat'l Assn. of Gay & Lesbian Democratic Clubs. 7pm, Gerard Hall.

29 "Gays and the Gospel," presentation by Rev. June Norris. 6pm, Toy Lounge of Dey Hall

Join others in a CGA benefit with Charlie Cochran at the Savoy Restaurant, University Square. 9pm. Cover charge (to benefit CGA)

30 Blue Jeans Day! Wear blue jeans to show your support of gay liberation.

CGA dance, basement of Craige Dormitory. 9 pm. Donation will be requested at door.

December

1 1985 Southeastern Conference Steering committee meeting. 10 am. UNC-CH Carolina Union. Volunteers welcome.

1 TALF meeting at Durham YWCA, 809 Proctor Street. Potluck at 7pm, program (discussion about S&M) at 8.

3 & "Torchsong Trilogy" at Duke Univ.

4 Union. For info on CGA group discount, call 962-4401.

8 Massage Workshop in Durham, for couples and friends (men and women). Fee \$10. Register by Nov. 30; call M. Hawk, 942-1009.

14 LAST Raleigh's Women's Coffeehouse. Farewell Party. Bring a baby picture and current photo for ID contest. Bring party food or drink. Fee: Mbrs \$2, Non-mbrs \$3

Happy Hanukkah!

Giddy Winter Solstice!
Merry Christmas!

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Doubtless countless collections of diaries, letters, and gay ophemera have been quickly consigned to the trash when discovered among the personal effects of deceased gay aunts and uncles by embarrassed straight nieces and nephews.

Since our written history is liable to this sort of capricious destruction--and our position as a despised subculture mitigates against much of anything being written down in the first place--what we know about our past is handed down by word of mouth. If you've never done it, try stimulating the memory of an older gay friend who has lived her/his whole adult life as a gay person. You will be in for a real treat as you learn that gay life did not begin with Stonewall.

Older gays (generally) provide the venture capital which makes possible many of our gay commercial enterprises. Bars, bookstores (respectable and otherwise), restaurants, guest houses, resorts require lots of money and hard work. Since few younger gays have the necessary financial resources, we must remain dependent on the preceeding generation to provide us with the "playgrounds" for our social amusement.

Finally, though many younger gays may not care to find out, older gays have the considerable benefit of sexual experience. Like most physical activities, people become much better with practice. Admittedly a large part of the sexual thrill derives not so much from how well something is done as from the perceived desirability of who is doing it (otherwise we might all find it a lot easier to be straight!). Yet for those who can set aside the worst excesses of aesthetic snobbery, some delightful experiences lay in store.

-T.R.

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