

STATE NEWS



Royal Awards Presented: In a ceremony June 21, The North Carolina Royal Court, headquartered in Hickory, North Carolina, presented "Royal Awards" to gay men and lesbians who have served the community.

Pictured above from L to R are Jacky Townsend, Empress Nancy Newton, Emperor Buddy Brendle, and Raymond Ward.

The North Carolina Royal Court is a volunteer, non-profit service organization of individuals from within our entertainment industry. For more information, contact Buddy Brendle, Emperor Raymond Ward, or Empress Nancy Newton, NC Royal Court, PO Box 9402, Hickory, NC 28603. ▽



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Blair Williams Crowned Miss North Carolina-FFI

On June 30, Blair Williams of Charlotte was crowned the new Miss North Carolina-FFI (For Female Impersonators). The pageant is held each year at the Power Company Nightclub in Durham. First Runner-up was Candace Corday of Hickory, and Second Runner-

up was Heather Fontaine of Durham. In preliminary competition, Candace won Talent and Evening Gown, while Blair won On Stage Question and Sportswear. Winner of the Erica Dubois Non-Finalist Talent Award was Junelle Cherée of Asheville. Pictured above from L to R are Miss America-FFI Valerie Lore, Second Runner-Up Heather Fontaine, Miss NC-FFI 1991-92 Blair Williams, First Runner-Up Candace Corday, & Miss NC-FFI 1990-91 Kymber Raines.

Dykes To Watch Out For

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HERE LET ME INTERPRET IT. "DEAR GINGER, I'D LIKE TO FUCK YOU. ARE YOU INTO IT? LOVE, MALIKA."

LOIS!

OH, COME OFF IT. YOU KNOW THAT'S WHAT YOU BOTH WANT. LIFE WOULD BE A LOT SIMPLER IF WE WERE ALL MORE UPFRONT ABOUT THIS STUFF.

LOIS, YOU ARE SO DYSFUNCTIONAL! THERE'S MORE TO A RELATIONSHIP THAN "FUCKING." AS YOU CALL IT. INTIMACY ISSUES, INTERNALIZED HOMOPHOBIA, ADDICTIONS, ABUSE HISTORIES... WE ALL HAVE HURT CHILDREN INSIDE US. IT'S NEVER SIMPLE!

RIP!

SHIT

GINGER, YOU'VE BEEN WORKING ON THAT FOR HOURS. AMERICAN ENGLISH IS IN EVEN SMOOTHER SHAPE THAN I THOUGHT IF A PH.D. IN ENGLISH CAN'T WRITE A SIMPLE THANK-YOU NOTE

CRUMPLE CRUMPLE

I CAN'T DECIDE WHAT TONE TO TAKE. I MEAN, WHAT DOES "GLAD WE MET" MEAN? IS THAT LIKE, "SO LONG, HAVE A NICE LIFE," OR "I'D LIKE TO GET TO KNOW YOU BETTER?" AND WHAT DOES THE LITTLE "HEART" MEAN? HER WHOLE MESSAGE IS SO OPEN TO INTERPRETATION.

WELCOME HOME, HEATHER. PUTTING AWAY YOUR HAT. PARASITIC!

LOOK, I JUST MET THE WOMAN I DON'T KNOW IF I WANNA SLEEP WITH HER AND I SURE AS HELL DON'T KNOW IF I WANT TO GO INTO THERAPY WITH HER!

AHH, SHE LIVES TWO TIME ZONES AWAY ANYHOW. WHY DON'T YOU TRY FOR SOME LOCAL ACTION?

YEAH DID YOU EVER WONDER WHY YOU ALWAYS FALL FOR WOMEN WHO ARE SOMEHOW UNAVAILABLE?

TOUCHY

SHE DRINKS WAY TOO MUCH COFFEE

Martha Wilson (W-S), NCCGLE Chair, and Jim Duley (CH), former Co-chair, share a farewell hug after the July NCCGLE meeting. Duley will be in CT for a one-year clinical psychology internship. We'll miss you, Jim!



Photo by Cynthia James

NCCGLE Awarded Grant

The Anti-Violence and Discrimination Project of The North Carolina Coalition for Gay and Lesbian Equality (NCCGLE) has received a \$5000 grant from the OUTFund, a newly-established fund of The Funding Exchange, a consortium of progressive funders based in New York City.

The grant application points out that North Carolina has been first among all states in the numbers of anti-gay acts of violence and discrimination for the past five years. Mechanisms are in place in many parts of the state for documentation of homophobic acts. What is needed is services for victims of discrimination and violence, work with law enforcement agencies, social services and the criminal justice system. The grant proposal requested funds which would enable these next steps to be initiated.

Part of the grant will be used to sponsor a statewide weekend workshop on anti-homophobic violence and discrimination documentation. The workshop and retreat will be held November 22-24 at Camp New Hope near Chapel Hill. This will be an intensive weekend of skills acquisition and networking for activists from across North Carolina and will be an opportunity for newcomers and seasoned activists alike to share their skills and knowledge.

The grant proposal was written and submitted by Mab Segrest of Durham, Committee Chair and Director of the NCCGLE Anti-Violence and Discrimination Documentation Project. A second grant proposal for the project is still outstanding.--from NCCGLE Notes, July, 1991 ▽

The Mr. North Carolina USA competition was held at Club Caberet in Hickory on Saturday, July 20. Eleven men competed for the title. Mr. NC USA 1991-92 is Darrell Lanza, from Atlanta.



First Runner-up, from Myrtle Beach, is Slade; and Second Runner-up, from Winston-Salem, is Mat. Front row L to R: Mat, Darrell Lanza, Slade; Second row: Miss NC USA, Mahogany; Mr. Gay USA, Todd Wentz; Miss Ohio Valley USA, Aaron Davis.

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