

Transsexuals In Prison

TRANSEXUALS IN PRISON, Inc. 1985/86; A NEWSLETTER FOR AND BY THE TRANSEXUAL OFFENDER.

The following listed person are to be given credit for their tireless efforts on behalf of the transsexual prison community area not only in the U.S. but through the world. Inasmuch, that Transsexuals In Prison, Inc. has given the transsexual offender and avenue in which they can express his/her concerns, writings, and those things that constantly plague those of us in the prison system, i.e. discrimination. VOL _____ NO. _____

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Transsexuals In Prison, Inc. **POLICY & STATEMENT:** Transsexuals In Prison, Inc. is a national and international organizational newsletter as well as an organization of both the incarcerated transsexual and free transsexual and their organization(s) as well as those of the Gay person(s) and those who are transgender with a multi-purpose of working to help those transsexuals that are incarcerated to better themselves upon release and as well to assist them with the many problems that they face while incarcerated. We function as a networking organization with no **POLITICAL AGENDA** Our agenda is to Educate and organize, as well as assist the transsexual in prison and provide him or her with an avenue in which they can air their problems and seek solutions through our networking project. Our efforts in both State and Federal Courts is a solid insurance that we will be accorded the respect and the rights that are given to us by the constitution as well as preserving them with the legal enforcement by the State and Federal Court System and their Government Correctional systems. **TRANSEXUAL'S IN PRISON, Inc.** is a **NON-PROFIT** Organization which operates on its own members budgets and therefore receives no federal funding. Each member operates this budget on her own financial means. Due to the fact that some of T.I.P.'s members are prisoners and can not receive monies for their work on T.I.P. T.I.P. has set up receivership through the Regional Directors of Canada, Washington, & Tenn in which funds can be received for the continued work of T.I.P., however, these Regional Directors have the sole right to reject and funds that they feel would not be proper in content with no explanation required. Should a contribution be made it may constitute as a tax deduction, (See your tax consultant for more information regarding this matter.), Furthermore, Transsexuals In Prison, Inc. does not forward letters of general correspondence to other people, if you wish to join our Pen-Pal Club then check the insert in the newsletter or write to our Distribution Director, or the Tenn Regional Director for further information.

Thanking you in advance for your support

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N E T W O R K I N G N E W S

PRESS RELEASE: (AEGIS) american educational gender information services

Effective 30 September, 1992 AEGIS will assure J2CP's information distribution and publication functions. Since 1982, J2CP has served as an information clearinghouse and publisher for information about gender dysphoria, receiving referrals from such diverse sources as Dear Abby and the United Way. J2CP was the successor of the Janus Information Facility, which was in turn the successor of the Erickson Education Foundation; these organizations distributed a series of leaflets and booklets through the 70's which remain in print to this day.

Ms. Denny Executive Director of AEGIS stated that AEGIS plans to gradually release the J2CP material making revisions in content to keep information up to date and up-dating the design. Sister Mary Elizabeth, who maintain a computer bulletin board which provides information on HIV and AIDS, has said that she will continue to provide J2CP Online, if there is a demand for it.....

AEGIS has a wide variety of information for the Transgender, and Transsexual person, those who need additional information regarding this release and other information can contact AEGIS at P.O. Box 33724 Decatur, Ga. 30033.

Successful networkers don't collect business cards; they organize and utilize them

TRANSEXUAL IN PRISON, Inc. PEN PAL PROJECT APPLICATION FORM SHEET. REGISTER TODAY

Please fill out the information sheet below as Honestly as possible, be real, and be honest, letting us know about you. Who you are, and what your interest are. Thanks Rev John Prowett and Patricia Fisher for Transsexuals In Prison, Inc.....

NAME:(legal) _____
 NAME:(fem) _____
 NAME:(Birth) _____
 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS NUMBER: _____
 ADDRESS: _____

AGE: _____ :WEIGHT: _____ HEIGHT: _____ HAIR: _____ /EYES: _____ /FACE: _____
 ANY OTHER ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: _____

CIRCLE ONE: TV./ Pre-op TS/ Post-op TS/ Gay Male/ Gay Female/ Bi-Sexual/ Hetrosexual/
 Unsure. (please circle the one that best describes yourself as a person.)

INTEREST AND HOBBIES: _____

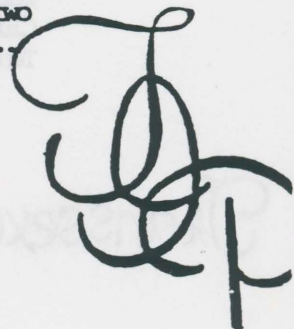
LIKES AND DISLIKES: _____

 _____ DISLIKES: _____

CAN YOU WRITE OTHER PRISONERS: Yes/No.

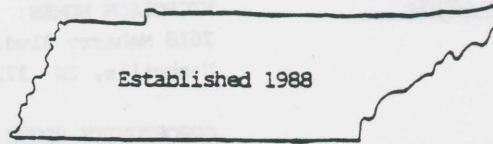
 Pen Pal service is free to TV/TS prisoners only. To insure so all TV/TS prisoner applications will be checked throughly. Those found not to be , or have given false information will be removed from the mailing list of T.I.P. as well as the Pen Pal mailing list.; Non TV/TS prisoners and person(s) wishing to enlist in this service are asked to donate a small service charge a service charge amounts to \$1.00 to cover cost of postage and handling. **ANY DONATIONS ARE GREATLY APPERCIATED.** If someone write you or you write someone and they do not wish to write to you or you to them then it is required that you advise that person of that intent. **More than two complaints from any one person and you will be dropped from the service...no exceptions.** forward all pen pal applications to John Prowett or Patricia Fisher .

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NOTE TO ALL PRISONERS:

Please help us keep this listing up to date by letting us know (here at TPPO) if any of the addresses you write have changed or are out of business. This will not only save other prisoners postage, but assist us as well. AND, if you know of other resources, nationally or in your state, let us hear about them...especially anything concerning employment and halfway housing from your area.

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PRISONER SUPPORT
AND RESOURCES

ACLU TRANSEXUAL RIGHTS COMMISSION
31815 Camino Capistrano, Suite L
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE

AFSC has 6 regional criminal justice offices. Each is a good resource for information pertaining to the community, state and region in which that office is located.

REGIONAL OFFICES

AFSC CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM

405 14th Street, Suite 813
Oakland, CA 94612

(415) 836-2144

AFSC CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM

2161 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02140

(617) 442-9563

AFSC CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM

1414 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104

(313) 761-8283

AFSC CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM

972 Walnut Street, 6th Floor
Newark, NJ 07102

(201) 643-3079

AFSC COMMUNITY RELATIONS OFFICE

915 Salem Avenue
Dayton, OH 45406

(513) 278-4225

AFSC COMMUNITY MEDITATION CENTER

Flushing Friends Meeting House
137-16 Northern Blvd.
Flushing, NY 11354

(718) 939-1300

AFSC UNDOCUMENTED REFUGEE PROJECT

1205 Sunset Drive
South Miami, FL 33143

Information for immigration detainees!

AMERICAN INDIAN GAYS AND LESBIANS

P.O. Box 10229
Minneapolis, MN 55458

AMY LESHNER, #217306

1901 D Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

The National Minority Coalition of Equal Opportunity and Reform provides comprehensive support for incarcerated transsexuals and other gender related matters. Advocacy for standards of treatment and care, as well as referrals concerning the institution. Community resources in such areas as employment assistance and vocational programs, as well as in the development of pre/post parole plans, i.e., revocation and initial hearings, and with clients & attorneys in judicial matters related to gender issues.

BUSINESS TRAINING INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

c/o James Steinbauer
319 Clematis Street
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

CENTER FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

853 Broadway
New York, NY 10003

CLEP

CN 6600

Princeton, NJ 08541-6600

The College Level Examination Program (CLEP) offers 'equivalency' examinations in a range of subjects. If you feel you have acquired knowledge of a subject without the usual formal educational channels, you may take college level examination; and with satisfactory test results, can obtain college credit. CLEP makes these examinations available to prisoners. Write for a catalog of test subjects offered and information about making the necessary arrangements.

COALITION FOR JEWISH PRISONER SERVICES

c/o Martin Hockery
1640 Rhode Island Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20036

CURE

11 15th Street, NE, Suite #6
Washington, DC 20002

(202) 543-8399

Citizens United for the Rehabilitation of Errants (CURE's) work focuses on legislative analysis of prison issues, in addition to working with the families and friends of prisoners. Write to see if there is a chapter in your state.

DOUBLE IMAGE

P.O. Box 71795
Las Vegas, NV 89170

(702) 795-8798

CD/TV/TS support and information!

FREEDOM NOW

59 East Van Buren, #1400
Chicago, IL 60605

Support for political prisoners!

HALFWAY HOUSING

DISMAS HOUSE
320 East
Memphis, TN 38126
(901) 528-9996

DISMAS HOUSE (CO-Ed)
1513 16th Avenue South
Nashville, TN 37208
(615) 292-9105
299-9190

NEW HORIZONS
P.O. Box 90372
Nashville, TN 37209
New Horizons was established and is operated by two of TDOC's finest (past employed) counselors. Halfway housing for women only, offering counseling services and other assistance to those newly released/paroled inmates, and or abused/battered women.

NICHOLSON HOMES
2618 Meharry Blvd.
Nashville, TN 37208

OPPORTUNITY HOUSE
720 Boscobel
Nashville, TN 37206
(615) 256-3221
Usually only except Federal Prisoners!

Allen Dowdy
118 Hwy. 99 East
P.O. Box 47
Columbia, TN 38401
(615) 381-7472
We understand this halfway house way opened during the middle of '90, through/with Community Correction in Columbia. Although nothing further is known as of date, so drop them a line if this is your area of parole for additional information. Let TPPO know what you hear.

HALFWAY SHELTERS

CHRISTIAN HOME PRISON RELEASEE'S
725 Winthorne Drive
Nashville, TN 37217-2322
(615) 361-3638
For men only!

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Nashville, TN 37208-2904
(615) 372-9827
For men only, at \$50 per week!

JOANNE JONES ROOMS
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Nashville, TN 37207-5218
(615) 228-6603
For men only, at \$50 per week!

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105 8th Avenue, North
Nashville, TN 37203-3705
(615) 244-9044
Night shelters, for men only! FREE room and board for full-time workers.

LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS

ADDITIONAL PRISONER SUPPORT/RESOURCES

AFRICAN NATIONAL PRISON ORGANIZATION
5301 W. Girard
Philadelphia, PA 19135
Part of the African Peoples Socialist Party's attempt to build a mass prison organization toed to the struggle for Black freedom.

BAYOU LA ROSE
302 N. 'J' Street, #3
Tacoma, WA 98403
Native American prisoner support.

NINE ADDITIONAL CURE CHAPTERS

FLORIDA CURE
c/o Linda McCray
4000 SW, 47th Street, F8
Gainesville, FL 32608

INDIANA CURE
P.O. Box 2184
Indianapolis, IN 46206

LOUISIANA CURE
P.O. Box 181
Baton Rouge, LA 70821

MICHIGAN CURE
309 Seymour
Lansing, MI 48933

MISSOURI CURE
P.O. Box 29041
St. Louis, MO 63112

NEW YORK CURE
P.O. Box 893
Highland, NY 12528

PENNSYLVANIA CURE
1034 E. Sedgwick
Philadelphia, PA 19150-2227

TEXAS CURE
P.O. Box 12623
Austin, TX

VIRGINIA CURE
P.O. Box 19453
Alexandria, VA 22320

INSTITUTION OF ISLAMIC INFORMATION AND EDUCATION
P.O. Box 41129
Chicago, IL 60641-0129
Distributes Info. concerning the Nation of Islam.

THE INDEPENDENT STUDY CATALOG
A complete listing of correspondence courses can be found in this catalog: "The NUCES Guide to Independent Study Through Correspondence Instruction" (for \$8.95). Revised biannually and can be bought at most bookstores. You can order this book for an additional \$1.75 (Postage & Handling) from....Peterson's Guides
Princeton, NJ

ADDITIONAL PENPALS

EAGLE MAN
1734 West 32nd Street
Marion, IN 46953

FRIENDSHIP BULLETIN
P.O. Box 1716
Chula Vista, CA 92021

PEN AMERICAN CENTER
568 Broadway
New York, NY 10012

Prison writers send for your FREE bulletin to find out about publications which want to receive writing from prisoners (poetry, fiction, non-fiction of drama), writing contests for prisoners, and tips on how to get your writing into print.

PENTECOSTAL COALITION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
P.O. Box 386, Howard University
Washington, DC 20059
(202) 265-2368

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Library of Congress
Washington, DC 20540

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PRISONER'S SERVICES
245 Hattiet Street
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 861-2797

PRISONER VISITATION AND SUPPORT
1501 Cherry Street
Philadelphia, PA 19102
(215) 241-7117

FVS visits only those federal or military prisoners desiring visits. FVS offers friendships, regular visits, study materials, assists with family communications and legal referrals, as well as writing letters of recommendation to parole boards.

RENAISSANCE GENDER IDENTITY
P.O. Box 11341
Santa Ana, CA 92711
(714) 836-1803
Transvestite & Transsexual support.

SIDDHA MEDITATION PRISON PROJECT
SYDA Foundation
P.O. Box 600
South Fallsburg, NY 12779
A correspondence course FREE to prisoners. NO penpals!

SOUTH-40 CORPORATION
ATTN. James Bergland
275 Seventh Avenue
New York, NY 10001
Sponsors writing programs in prisons and offers counseling as well as educational programs to ex-offenders.

SOUTHERN COALITION ON PRISONS AND JAILS
P.O. Box 120044
Nashville, TN 37212
(615) 383-9610
The Southern Coalition has offices in 8 southern states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

SOUTHERN GAY ARCHIVES
P.O. Box 2118
Boca Raton, FL 33427

SOUTHERN PRISONERS DEFENSE COMMITTEE, INC.
185 Walton Street, NW
Atlanta, GA 30303

Death penalty work!

THE POETRY WALL
Cathedral of St. John the Divine
1047 Amsterdam Avenue
New York, NY 10025
Accepts poetry of all kinds to display in the cathedral and invites anyone to correspond with inmates whose poetry is displayed.

THUNDERBIRD PRISON ALLIANCE
P.O. Box 193
High Bridge, NJ 08829
International coalition of prisoner cultural groups and Political activists.

TOWER PRESS
410 Penn Street
Holidaysburg, PA 16648
Publishes writing by prisoners!

UNITED TV'S AND TS'S SOCIETY
P.O. Box 246
Bay Head, NJ 08742

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE
P.O. Box 35
Alto, GA 30510

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICE
2225 Mission Street
San Francisco, CA 94110
(415) 558-4923

PENPALS

DIGNITY PRISON MINISTRY
1500 Mass. Avenue NW, Suite 11
Washington, DC 20005
PENPALS!! Dignity is a gay/lesbian Catholic group which has a ministry which supports correspondence between people outside and those in prison. Any prisoner, men or women, gay or straight, Catholic or not, is welcome to join. Just Write!

EAST/WEST JOURNAL, Dept. ST
P.O. Box 1200
Brookline, MA 02135
FREE penpal ads to/for prisoners!

GIZMO STRESS
P.O. Box 1153
Russelville, AL 35653
Penpal and book programs!

MARMONY FRIENDSHIPS
P.O. Box 82295-R
Phoenix, AZ 85071

INCARCERATED CITIZENS CONGRESS
c/o Melvin Miller
1935 Chestnut Street
Harrisburg, PA 17103

FRIENDS OUTSIDE

116 East San Luis Street
Salinas, CA 93901

(408) 758-2733

Support for prisoners and their families. Write and ask if there's a group in your area.

GCN PRISONER PROJECT

62 Berkely Street
Boston, MA 02116

GCN offers informational packets to those incarcerated on the following topics: *Defending Yourself at Disciplinary Hearings; *Censorship; *Mann essay on how prisons divide & conquer; *Physical Safety; *Your Right To Protection, Protective Custody: Getting In & Getting Out; *AIDS: Medical & Political Issues; *Young Love (relationships with young men); *Transvestite & Transsexual Issues; and *Coming Out Job Information (for those of you getting out soon, requiring assistance with job training, or information on income available to prisoners as soon as they get out). Write requesting your packets by topic, and please be patient. GCN also publishes a weekly newspaper worth checking out!

HENRY GEORGE INSTITUTE

121 East 30th Street
New York, NY 10016

Home study course in economics. Small charge for materials, although no tuition cost.

HOMOSEXUAL INFORMATION CENTER

6758 Hollywood Blvd., #208
Los Angeles, CA 90028

(213) 464-8431

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219P Berlin Road, Suite 185
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034-3534

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PRISM OPTICAL, INC.

10992 N.W. 7th Avenue
P.O. Box 680030

North Miami, FL 33168
(305) 754-5894

Excellent for those of us in prison not wanting state issue eyeglasses, although you will need to send them your prescription when you order. Write for their FREE catalog of frames and glassware. Sorry, NO CREDIT!

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MINORITY PRISON PROJECT

c/o Rev. John Prowett
1308 Jefferson

Memphis, TN 38104-2012

MPP is a non-profit gay and/or prisoners organization...so when writing, please include a SASE.

NAACP PRISON PROJECT

4805 Mt. Hope Drive
Baltimore, MD 21215

Write the (National Alliance for the Advancement of Colored People) for information and or assistance in & with; education, health care, ex-offender rights, job placement and counseling.

NATIONAL COALITION AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY

1325 G Street, NW, Lower Level B
Washington, DC 20005

(202) 797-7090

NATIONAL GAY TASK FORCE

80 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1601
New York, NY 10011

NATIONAL HOME STUDY COUNCIL

1601 18th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009

Information about academic and job training schools that offer home/prison courses by mail. Write for a directory of schools and courses.

NATIONAL TASK FORCE ON PROSTITUTION

P.O. Box 26354
San Francisco, CA 94126

Working to decriminalize prostitution, through organizing and educating others.

NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN INMATE SUPPORT PROJECT

c/o Art Woolsey

7845 Fishing Creek Valley Road
Harrisburg, PA 17112

Works with prison officials to help provide the traditional spiritual & cultural teachings of the Indian way of life to incarcerated Native Americans.

NAGLTF ANTI-VIOLENCE PROJECT

1517 U Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009

The (National Gay and Lesbian Task Force) maintains a file of violent incidents against gay men and lesbians. Reports they compile may help to change peoples' minds about ignoring places of violence against us...including prisoners. NGLTF needs to know details about: verbal harassment or physical assault, with or without weapons; by guards/prisoners or others helpful, related to gay/lesbian or to AIDS or both? NGLTF does not provide any legal services!

OFFENDER AID AND RESTORATION

1325 G Street, #620, SE
Washington, DC 20005

Services for offenders, ex-offenders and their families.

PASSION INC.

P.O. Box 30453
New Orleans, LA 70190

PASSION (Professional Association Seeking Sexual Identification of Nature) Inc. is working for decriminalization of all adult sexual behavior, as well as offering counseling, job, legal and social assistance.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF GAYS

P.O. Box 24528
Los Angeles, CA 90024

(213) 472-8952

INTRODUCTIONS

2625 F Coffee Road, Suite 117
Modesto, CA 95355

PENPAL!! Introductions, is a chance to combat the loneliness through writing. In order to join, write them for their FREE brochure.

LOVING CONTACT PRISON MINISTRIES

P.O. Box 226
Hersher, IL 60941

NEW AGE PRISONER OUTREACH

342 Western Avenue
Brighton, MA 02135

PENDULUM PALS

P.O. Box 18236
River Rouge, MI 48218

Send SASE for additional info and Newsletter!

PRISON ASHRAM PROJECT PENPAL PROGRAM

c/o Elaine Rohe
49 W. Jersey Avenue, R.D. 4
Pleasantville, NJ 08232

PRISON FELLOWSHIP

Attn. Inmate Request Form
P.O. Box 17500 (PS/G)
Washington, DC 20041

PRISON OUTREACH

495 Albion Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45246

A quarterly newsletter for any prisoner (funded by a Catholic Organization).

SUNRISE

P.O. Box 113
Warrenville, IL 60555

A bi-monthly newsletter which gives only one printed line for prisoners, listing name and address.

SUNSHINE INTERNATIONAL

P.O. Box 260 (PS/G)
North Hollywood, CA 91603

**NEWSLETTERS/PAPERS
AND
OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

AQUA

P.O. Box 1251, Canal Street Station
New York, NY 10013
Queer anarchist publication, FREE to lesbian & gay men in prison.

BEHIND THE WALLS

5 Star Press
P.O. Box 4167
Halfmoon, NY 12065

BTW is a prisoner support publication formed to assist prisoners throughout the United States and abroad. Penpals, legal new reporting, library services, counseling, exposing abuse, outside contacts and writing project. \$5 to prisoners (stamps OK).

BLACK/OUT

NCLBG
19641 West Seven Mile
Detroit, MI 48219
A quarterly publication of the National Coalition of Black Lesbians and Gays. Includes stories, poems, drawings and some penpal ads. FREE to black lesbian and gay prisoners!

BREAKTHROUGH

P.O. Box 14422
San Francisco, CA 94114
Journal of the Prairie Fire Organization committee. Info on political prisoners and prisoners of war. FREE to prisoners!

BURNING SPEAR NEWSPAPER

794 McArthur Street
Oakland, CA 94605

CAFE SOLO

c/o Glen Luskia
Artsreach, U. Ext. 437
10995 Le Conte Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90024
Features poetry and art by prisoners.

**COALITION FOR PRISONERS RIGHTS
NEWSLETTER**

P.O. Box 1911
Santa Fe, NM 87504
A newsletter on politics and prison conditions, FREE to prisoners. Volunteer Staff, so no penpals. Will try to publish short statements concerning conditions where you are.

COMMON LIVES

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Iowa City, IA 52244
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FREE subscription to lesbian prisoners!

CONNEXIONS:

4228 Telegraph Avenue
Oakland, CA 94609
An International Women's Quarterly!

DEATH TO THE KLAN

P.O. Box 406 Stuyvesant Station
New York, NY 10009
A newspaper of the John Brown Anti-Klan Committee.
FREE to prisoners!

FACT SHEET FIVE

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6 Arizona Avenue
Rensselaer, NY 12144
A review of alternative publications; as well as a catalog of maps, posters, tapes and far out stuff.

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39 W. 19th Street
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Write to...GCN Prisoner Project
62 Berkeley Street
Boston, MA 02116
GCN is a national gay & lesbian weekly newspaper, welcoming your letters concerning prison issues or whatever else you may want to share and or just get off your mind.

FREE subscriptions and penpal ads to gay/lesbian prisoners, as well as people with AIDS. Also...GCN usually publishes a special annual fall issue full of poetry and drawings, not to mention using many throughout the year, so don't forget to send in those drawings and poems expressing your gay/lesbian prison experiences. Please do GCN a favor by passing the paper along to someone else as well when you are finished so someone else at another institution could have a Sub. as well. THANKS!

GODDESS RISING
4006 First Avenue NE
Seattle, WA 98105
FREE Sub. to lesbian prisoners!

HERESIES
280 Broadway, Room 412
New York, NY 10007

HURRICANE ALICE
207 Church Street, S.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55455

INCARCERATED CITIZENS CONGRESS
c/o Melvin Miller
1935 Chestnut Street
Harrisburg, PA 17103
Newsletter, penpal listing--FREE.
They also have a booklet on how prisons try to break down the minds of prisoners, called 'Breaking Men's Minds', for \$3.

INDUSTRIAL WORKER
3435 North Sheffield Avenue, #202
Chicago, IL 60657

JERICHO
78 Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02108
A National Moratorium on new prisons, back issues also available.

KICK IT OVER
P.O. Box 5811, Station A
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5W-1P2
An Anti-Authoritarian magazine with a feminist/ecological perspective. FREE to prisoners!

LES/CON
584 Castro Street, Suite 263
San Francisco, CA 94114
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LESBIAN CONNECTION
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New York, NY 10014
Anarchist monthly, FREE to prisoners! Prisoner letter and news.

MAIZE-WORD WEAVERS
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MOMS
8525 Black Haw Court
Frederick, MD 21701
(301) 662-7643
MOMS (Mothers Opposed to Maltreatment of Service Members) offers legal services, newsletter, support for military prisoners, and assistance with veteran benefits.

NAMBLA BULLETIN
c/o Rock Thatcher
4730 E. Indian School Road,
#120-263
Phoenix, AZ 85018
Bulletin of the North American Man/Boy Love Association. FREE to persons incarcerated for sex with minors.

NEW DIRECTIONS FOR WOMEN
108 W. Palisade Avenue
Englewood, NJ 07631

NOMO
112C Kerckhoff Hall
308 Westwood Plaza
Los Angeles, CA 90024
African news magazine, FREE to prisoners!

NO PICNIC
P.O. Box 69393, Station K
Vancouver, B.C., Canada V5K-4W6
News about and for prisoners.
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2423 18th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20009
FREE to women in prison! A lively, down-to-earth feminism, is the nations oldest women's news journal. With analysis, reviews, conference coverage, news-on health, feminist theory, reproductive & civil rights, as well as political work among the working, disabled, incarcerated, old & poor women, women of color, lesbians and women from every continent. (\$15 for 11-issues)

OUT LOOK ON JUSTICE
c/o AFSC Criminal Justice Program
2161 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02140
A prisoner support newsletter produced by the American Friends Service Committee. \$2 to prisoners, with penpal space available!

OVERTHROW
P.O. Box 392, Canal Street Station
New York, NY 10013
FREE to prisoners!

PEOPLE ORGANIZED TO STOP RAPE OF PRISONERS
P.O. Box 632
Fort Bragg, CA 95437
Newsletter and support for rape survivors.

PRIMARY CONCERN
c/o Marc Fisher, Editor
234 Lloyd Lane
Philadelphia, PA 19151
A magazine of music photos, fun and social conscience, FREE to prisoners.

PRISON JOURNAL
Institute for the Humanities
Simon Fraser University
Burnaby, B.C., Canada V5A-1S6
Prison literature, printed once a year. FREE to prisoners!

PRISON LINKS
220 North 10th Street
Newark, OH 43055

PRISON LINKS (continued) is a Progressive prisoner Movement desiring to call attention and move for action on many prisoner issues; including the death penalty, wages for prisoners, prison conditions, over-crowding and AIDS. Write them with your ideas and a FREE Prison Newsletter!

PRISON NETWORK NEWS
National Lawyers Guild
853 Broadway, #1705
New York, NY 10003

PRISON NEWS SERVICE
P.O. Box 5052
Station A
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5W-1W4
News and letters from prisoners...FREE!

PROJECT 1313
P.O. Box 1313
Lawrence, KS 66044
Info on anarchist political prisoners. FREE to prisoners!

RADICAL AMERICA
One Summer Street
Somerville, MA 02143

REALITY NOW
P.O. Box 6326, Station A
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5W-1P7
Anarchist news journal covering prison, Native, as well as American rights and other issues. FREE to prisoners!

RECLAIMING
P.O. Box 14404
San Francisco, CA 94114
FREE Sub. to lesbian prisoners!

RENAISSANCE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, INC.
P.O. Box 552
King of Prussia, PA 19406
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Route 1, Box 127E
Bakersville, NC 28705
(704) 688-2447

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2309-D Pruett
Austin, TX 78703-4349

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SINISTER WISDOM
P.O. Box 3252
Berkeley, CA 94703

SIPAPU
c/o Noel Peattie
Route 1, Box 216
Winters, CA 95694
Biannual alternative political publication, FREE to prisoners.

SOJOURNER
143 Albany Street
Cambridge, MA 02139
FREE to women in prison!

SOUND OFF!!
c/o C.D. Boyd, 101461, TSP, 2 - 7/8
7000 Centennial Blvd.
Nashville, TN 37243-0467

Sound Off!! is a new alternative editorial styled networking newsletter publication for/by the convicts as well as parolees of this nation concerning the real prison & parole issues which continue to go unchecked.

The Tennessee Prisoner Parolee Organization (TPPO) established back in '88 is currently desirous in publishing this new alternative newsletter, awaiting your editorials and articles (especially those) which have been previously censored and or refused publication by most of those warden operated/censored ran prison newspapers and or elsewhere.

You will first be required to send at least one .29¢ stamp when/with your request for a "Publishing Release Form", assuming and taking full responsibilities for your own editorial/article being that of factual and truth.

Additional info will be provided at that time concerning subscription rates, and FREE copies of Sound Off!! to those who contribute to articles, as well as delivery to any one city, county, state or federal official and/or other newspaper(s) or their personnel.

TPPO & it's Sound Off!! project publication are totally non-profit, being supported & funded by the convict parolee directorship. So donations of stamps are always appreciated and or other funds can be sent from the free-world to C.D. Boyd, Chairperson & Director of Operations for TPPO and SOUND OFF!!

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY IN AMERICA
1926 Main Street
P.O. Box 270
Wheaton, IL 60189-0270
The Light Within (quarterly newsletter) is FREE to prisoners!

THE GUARDIAN
33 W. 17th Street
New York, NY 10011
An international progressive weekly. One FREE single issue (ONLY) to prisoners.

THE MILITANT
14 Charles Lane
New York, NY 10014
Socialist Newspaper, FREE to prisoners!

THE PEOPLE'S DAILY WORLD
235 W. 23rd Street
New York, NY 10011
Published by the U.S. Communist Party. FREE to prisoners!

TORCH/LA TORCHA
GPO 1288
New York, NY 10116
TRANSSEXUAL'S IN PRISON, INC.
Director of Distribution
Ms. Patricia Fisher
P.O. Box 293, Cote des Neiges
5858 Cote des Neiges Blvd.
Montreal Quebec, Canada H3S-2S6
AND OR ALSO, THE
Tennessee Regional Director
Rev. John Prowett
1308 Jefferson
Memphis, TN 38104-2012

Transsexuals In Prison (TIP) is a newsletter for and about the transsexual inmate, in hopes that it will educate and enlighten those unaware of the plight of the Pre-op Transsexual.

UNITY
P.O. Box 29293
Oakland, CA 94604

Half in English, half in Spanish, with good photography, addressing anti-racism in an "upbeat" way. FREE to prisoners.

WAVES
c/o Puget Sound Progressive Voice
1017-B East Pike
Seattle, WA 98122
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WOMAN OF POWER
P.O. Box 827
Cambridge, MA 02238
FREE Sub. to lesbian prisoners!

WOMENS' FOCUS/WOMANEWS
P.O. Box 220, Village Station
New York, NY 10014
FREE to women in prison! A N.Y.C. Feminist Newspaper and Calendar of Events. Excellent reading!

WORKER'S WORLD
ATTN: Prisoner Subscriptions
46 West 21st Street
New York, NY 10010

WREE-REVIEW OF WOMEN
130 E. 16 Street
New York, NY 10003
(Women for Racial and Economic Equality) FREE to Women!

PLEASE NOTE.....
When you write to those organizations in Canada, postage is now .40¢ cents!
ALSO...TPPO is offering a new Pen-Pal service through "SOUND OFF!" Not only to meet/find & make new friends, but to assist us and you to acquire & gather new and fresh information, as well as allowing us ALL to network more with each other throughout the U.S.A.!!

BOOKS

ASSOCIATION FOR RESEARCH AND ENLIGHTENMENT
67th Street & Atlantic Avenue
P.O. Box 595
Virginia Beach, VA 23451
Prisoners may receive 2 FREE books a month on Spiritual growth.

BOOKS FOR PRISONERS
c/o Left Bank Bookstore
92 Pike Street
Seattle, WA 98101

PRISON BOOK PROGRAM
92 Green Street
Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

PRISON LIBRARY PROJECT
976 West Foothill Blvd., #128
Claremont, CA 91711

PRISONER LITERATURE PROJECT
c/o Bound Together Books
1369 Haight Street
San Francisco, CA 94117
The above four projects send used (donated books only to state and federal prisoners throughout the county at no charge when available. You may request reading material on particular subjects; although the volunteers are sometimes 4-6 months behind on filling requests...so please be patient. (NO BOOKS TO: KS, NE, IA, MI, OR, & CA)

INFORMATION U.S.A.
By...Matthew lesko; Founder of Washington Researchers, the Viking Press and Penguin Books
How to get information from the U.S. Government, with thousands of names, addresses, and phone numbers for direct access to the right source...at little or no cost.
INFORMATION U.S.A.
40 West 23rd Street
New York, NY 10010

INSTEAD OF PRISONS
3049 E. Genesee Street
Syracuse, NY 13224
(Prison abolition book)

JUDGE, LAWYER, VICTIM, THIEF: Women, Gender Roles & Criminal Justice
Rafter & Stanko, Eds
(Northeastern, 1982)

KIND AND USUAL PUNISHMENT
By...Jessica Mitford

LAMBDA RISING
1625 Conn. Avenue, NW, Dept. 157
Washington, DC 20009
\$2 for Whole Gay Catalog.

Write for a FREE copy of the book "Death Row, USA" as well as for info about what's happening nationally on topics concerning capital punishment.

NAACP LEGAL DEFENSE FUND
c/o Karima Wicks
99 Hudson Street, Suite 600
New York, NY 10012

Criminal Justice Bibliographies:
The NCJRS maintains the following bibliographies. When requesting a bibliography, ask for the latest available update, as well as for an additional list C.J. Bibliographies.

- (NCJ-58518) Alternatives to institutionalization
- (NCJ-46851) Halfway Houses
- (NCJ-60331) Lail-Bond Inmate Programs
- (NCJ-57986) Paralegal's
- (NCJ-49701) Prison Industries
- (NCJ-48110) Speedy Trial
- (NCJ-43556) Techniques for Project Evaluation
- (NCJ-65171) Strategies for Reintegrating the Ex-Offender
- (NCJ-61445) Standard of Care in Adult and Juvenile Correctional Institutions

NCJRS DISTRIBUTION SERVICE
Department of Justice
P.O. Box 6000
Rockville, MD 20850
(301) 251-5500

Write for book on Black history, current events, Central America, South Africa, and Malcolm X.
PATHFINDER
410 West Street
New York, NY 10014

PRISON ASHRAM PROJECT

Route 1, Box 201-N
Durham, NC 27705

FREE books on spiritual growth
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P.O. Box 45126
Tacoma, WA 98445

Write for information concerning
Pagans, Wiccans, Ceremonial
Magicians and Occult Studies.

THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM & WOMEN

Price & Solooff, Eds.
(Clark Boardman, 1982)

THE POLITICS OF LAW: A Progressive

Critique, By...David Kairys, ed.
(Pantheon, 1982)
(South End Press, Boston)

THE PRISON READING PROJECT

c/o Paz Press

P.O. Box 3146
Fayetteville, AR 72702

This project makes books available
to incarcerated women. Just write
requesting info. (The Projects
coordinator, Juana Maria Paz, has
written a guide for prison writers
who need encouragement in/to write,
called "Self-Interview Questions
for Prison Writers." This guide
is available FREE to Prisoners.)

THE RICH GET RICHER

AND THE POOR GET PRISON

Ideology, Class and Criminal Justice
BY...Jeffrey Reiman (Wiley, 1979)

**LEGAL INFORMATION
AND RESOURCES**

A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CORRECTIONAL LAW

A newly revised bibliography of
books and articles on "correctional
law" edited by the American
Correctional Association. (\$10.00)
ACA PUBLICATIONS DIVISION
4321 Hartwich Road
College Park, MD 20740

**ALCU HANDBOOK: THE RIGHTS OF
PRISONERS**

A guild to the legal rights of
prisoners, parolees, and pretrial

detainees in question-and-answer
form. Contains Citations. FREE
to prisoners, but not always
available.

**ALCU HANDBOOK: THE RIGHT OF
WOMEN**

Constitutional rights, employment
discrimination, education, crimes,
women's right to control her body,
etc.. (NOT FREE)
American Civil Liberties Union
132 W. 43 Street
New York, NY 10036

ANTIGONE... Is a new prisoner support

publication of legal information,
referrals, penpals & visitation.

\$2 to prisoners, \$7 to outsiders!

National Commission

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P.O. Box 308

Farmington, MI 48332

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Provides legal information to
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Low cost paralegal course by
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BRIEF NOTES

3527 Oaklawn Avenue, #371-B
Dallas, TX 75219

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Concentrates on constitutional
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Amendments are heavily covered,
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sentencing process, the status of
pre-trial detainees and convicted
offenders, prisoner's right and
responsibilities, as well as the
restoration of rights for released
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IN A NUTSHELL FROM...

West Publishing Company
50 West Kellogg Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55102

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE PROJECT

Information on criminal procedure,
Habeas Corpus relief & prisoners
rights. (\$5.00)

Georgetown Law Journal
600 New Jersey Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20001

The Federal Communications Bar
Association has instituted a 'Legal
Aid Program' for indigent individuals
and groups. Write for a list of
possible sources of legal assistance.

Consumer Assistance Office
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW, Room 258
Washington, DC 20554
(202) 632-7000

DAVID ADAMS
5219 Tahoe TR., No. 202
Austin, TX 78745

Has been out three years, studying
to be a paralegal and has started
an organization to assist prisoners;
especially TV/TS prisoners with
their legal cases. Write him and
see if he can help you out in some
way.

JAILHOUSE LAWYERS MANUAL

The National Lawyers Guild has
published a new and up-to-date
manual. They are also beginning
publication of a newsletter for
jailhouse lawyers, as well as outside
lawyers to get "in touch". FREE
to jailhouse lawyers! For either
publication, write to:

Prison Network News
National Lawyers Guild
853 Broadway, #1705
New York, NY 10003

LEGAL ASSOCIATES WEST

P.O. Box 6248
Santa Barbara, CA 93160

Offers a variety of booklets and
legal information at minimal cost!

SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENT
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE
CONGRESSIONAL SALES OFFICE
Washington, DC 20402

Write for copies of: "Rules of Criminal Procedure for the United States District Court" 1987 (\$2.25), and "Federal Rules of Evidence" 1987 (\$1.50).

CRIMINAL/CORRECTIONAL PUBLICATIONS/INFORMATION

BUREAU OF PRISON PUBLICATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
320 1st Street, NW, Room 554
(202) 724-3198

The following publications are available: *Annual Report, Statistical Report, Facilities (describing prison facilities); and *Development of the Federal Prison System.

CORRECTIONS DIVISION
OFFICE OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM
LEAA, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
633 Indiana Ave., NW, Room 724
Washington, DC 20531
(202) 724-2959

Some of their programs include: Treatment alternatives to street crime, treatment and rehabilitation for addicted prisoners, pre-sentence investigation reporting, legal services programs, general corrections technical assistance; and major correctional initiatives.

NATIONAL COMMISSION
ON CORRECTIONAL HEALTH CARE
2000 North Racine
Chicago, IL 60614

NOCHC publishes "Correct Care", a FREE quarterly journal on health care in prisons.

NATIONAL CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFERENCE SERVICE

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1600 Research Blvd.
Rockville, MD 20850
(301) 251-5500

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CORRECTIONS
BUREAU OF PRISONS
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
320 1st Street, NW, Room 200
Washington, DC 20534
(202) 724-3106

This office gives technical assistance to state and local correctional programs.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PRISONS
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
1790 30th Street, Suite 130
Boulder, CO 80301
(303) 444-1101

The center provides information in all areas of corrections as well as in specialty areas, such as volunteers in corrections, staff development, training and legal matters.

REHABILITATION CLEARINGHOUSE
Zooprison Civilization Committee
P.O. Box 81691
Bakersfield, CA 95380

Information on politics of prisons and the criminal justice system.

THE NATIONAL PRISON PROJECT JOURNAL
c/o ACLU
1875 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20009

The ACLU publishes the above journal concerning prisoners rights, news and case law. Reduced subscription rate to all prisoners is \$2.00 per year.

The Sentencing Project
1156 15th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 463-8348

The Sentencing Project is a resource for information in alternatives to incarceration, particularly defense-based alternatives.

OTHER RESOURCES

NOTE... The following seven addresses were recently received with no further information, and we are sorry we can not tell you anything further at this

time. So if you do happen to write any of these organizations, and learn additional info, please drop us a line here so we can continue updating your listing for others.

THANK YOU!

CASTRO STREET PROMOTION
1019 Cole Street, #2
San Francisco, CA 94117
(415) 665-3304

CHICAGO RESOURCE CENTER
209 W. Jackson Blvd., #500
Chicago, IL 60606

CHRISTOPHER STREET
P.O. box 1589
Monterey, CA 93940

GOLDEN ROD
147 W. 42nd Street, Room #603
New York, NY 10036

PASSIONISTS
P.O. Box 14634
Clearwater, FL 34279
(813) 796-6851

RENE GUYON SOCIETY
256 S. Robertson Blvd.
Beerly Hills, CA 90211

THE FRONT PAGE
P.O. Box 2562
Raleigh, NC 27611

Maybe a gay/lesbian publication...let us know for sure sometime, as we can't afford to write checking out everyone first. **THANK YOU AGAIN!**

PAROLE RESOURCES

CONTACT REFERRAL CENTER, INC.
P.O. Box 81826
Lincole, NE 68501

This national information and referral service for prisoners attempts to link people with resources in the community that can be of assistance upon release; such as drug/alcohol programs, employment, housing, counseling, and other services.

NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD
55 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10013

This organization does not take on prisoners legal cases, but they need to be reminded that the criminal justice system has serious problems. If you have an extra stamp, drop them a line...but don't expect a reply!

NATIONAL LEGAL AID AND DEFENDER ASSOCIATION
1625 K Street, 8th Floor NW
Washington, DC 20006

NLADA has a national directory listing of FREE legal aid services, as well as offering referrals to legal programs and service in your area. NO direct services!

NATIVE AMERICAN RIGHTS FUND

Legal Review
1506 Broadway
Boulder, CO 80302

NOLO NEWS
950 Parker Street
Berkeley, CA 94710

A legal self-help paper. One FREE copy!

OFFENDER RIGHTS LITIGATION:

Historical and Future Developments

Traces history of prisoner's rights movement and surveys the state of the law on various prison issues. Including many citations! (\$3.00)

National Prison Project
1616 P Street, NW, Suite 340
Washington, DC 20036

PRISON DECISIONS/CORRECTIONAL

LAW GIGEST

A monthly digest of cases on prison law. \$30/year! Back issues from 1975 are published in book form and at varying prices. Write for brochure!

Frank S. Merritt, Editor
University of Toledo College of Law
2801 W. Bancroft Street
Toledo, OH 43606

PRISONERS AND THE LAW

Major law review articles and materials from cases. (\$75.00)
Clark Boardman Co.
New York, NY 10014

PRISONERS' ASSISTANCE DIRECTORY

Identifies/describes and list national, state, and local organizations providing assistance to prisoners, as well as types of assistance. Up-Dated periodically by the National Prison Project. (\$20.00)

ACLU NATIONAL PRISON PROJECT

1875 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20009
This (American Civil Liberties Union) project handle litigation on prison and jail conditions. They are NOT a resource for individual convictions or problems unless related to conditions of confinement. Your local ACLU affiliate is a good place to begin regarding individual problem. Write for the address of your local chapter.

PRISONERS' RIGHTS ADVOCACY

CENTER OF AMERICA
204 Elmo Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78225
Offers assistance with legal work!

PRISONERS' RIGHTS MANUAL

The Lewisburg Prison Project has written and distributes a series of manuals for federal prisoners which deal with conditions of confinement. (the manuals can be useful to state prisoners as well.) The titles available are: *A Guide to Federal Parole; *Prisoners' Civil Actions in Federal Court; *Paralegal Manual for Prisoners advocacy; *Due Process Standards for Administrative Detention. These manual are \$6.00 each for prisoners! In addition, the Project publishes a Legal Bulletin four times a year. All back issues are available! Each bulletin discusses a single issue based on constitutional law or federal

prison policy as it relates to prison conditions and parole. Write for their brochure which describes the material in each bulletin and each manual. CHEAP!

Lewisburg Prison Project
P.O. Box 128
Lewisburg, PA 17837

PRISONERS' SELF-HELP

LITIGATION MANUAL

This excellent book contains the basic information concerning civil rights of prisoners, law library requirements, the remedies that can be obtained from a court, detainers, federal post-conviction proceedings/remedies and parole matters. As well as chapters on legal research, how the legal system functions, how to litigate in federal courts, and all the information required to bring lawsuits concerning prison conditions and practices, forms and MORE! Available to prisoners for (\$17.00).

POST-CONVICTION REMEDIES:

SELF-HELP MANUAL

Outlines the procedures for challenging convictions. Available to prisoners for (\$16.50).

FROM: Oceana Press
75 Main Street
Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522

PRISONERS UNION

1909 6th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
A California prisoner support newsletter and referral service. They also distribute the "Inside/Out Press Manual" (which can be of assistance in other states) on a range of subjects relating to pre-trial, post-conviction, as well as jail & prison conditions. Write for a FREE catalog of all their self-help manuals at cheap prices.

SOUTHERN CAREER INSTITUTE

P.O. Box 2158
Boca Raton, FL 33427
Paralegal program, Write for your information today!

PAROLES RESOURCES CONTINUED

Contact Referral Center

CONTINUED.....

Write and ask the CRC about their "Survival Sourcebook" concerning locating a place to live and job hunting.

Three to four months before your parole hearing or expected release date, write to the above address for a request form. On this form, you will identify the state you will be paroled to and the referrals you require. You will be required to pay a one time \$10.00 service fee when you return your form.

FRONDA DE SHERLIDA

Route 2, Box 2840
Cuba, MD 65453

A Prisoner Union has been established to assist people who are having problems receiving parole or locating employment & housing for when they are released. They request the following information:

- FULL NAME
- SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER
- DATE OF PAROLE ELIGIBILITY
- AND DETAILS OF AID REQUIRED.

They also request 3 (.29¢ cent) stamps so they can send you the information they have.

Employment Opportunities Offered...

JOBS FOR HANDICAPPED, INC.

1720 West End Avenue, Suite 613
Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 321-3991

Are you physically or mentally handicapped, under a doctors care, a reformed alcoholic/drug user, or ex-offender? If so, Jobs for Handicapped is looking for you! Full or part time available with complete training.

Possibly can be of assistance in and for other states, so drop them a line.

M2/W2

4663 Executive Drive, Suite 2
Columbus, OH 43220

(614) 451-9902

OHIO Prisoners & Friends!!!!

Man-Man/Woman-Woman (M2/W2), is a non-profit group offering assistance to prisoners who are 6 to 14 months from getting out; in locating work, housing, education and counseling. They also have a literacy program and a transportation service for visits. People who want to participate from both sides of the walls, should write.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CORRECTIONS

BUREAU OF PRISONS
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

320 1st Street, NW
Washington, DC 20534

(202) 724-3106

PAROLE AGENCIES

PAROLE COMMISSION

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Park Place, 1 N. Park Building
5550 Friendship Blvd.
Bethesda, MD 20015

(301) 492-5990

PROJECT RETURN, INC.

Suite 700, East Tower
1719 West End Avenue
Nashville, TN 37203

(615) 327-9654

Dedicated to assisting ex-offenders and their families in becoming stable, law-abiding and productive members of society. The five programs of Project Return are:

1. Job & Futures,
2. Family Support Services,
3. Conditional Clemency and Intensive Supervision,
4. Pre-Release, and their
5. Community Education Programs.

TENNESSEE PRISONER PAROLE ORGANIZATION

Write to...

C.D. Boyd, 101461, TSP, 2-7/8
7000 Centennial Blvd.
Nashville, TN 37243-0467

TPPO was established by prisoners to meet the need of prisoners looking for information & resources, not only to help themselves while incarcerated, but prepare for their eventual release/parole back into society through locating living arrangements (HALFWAY HOUSING), as well as offering an eventual employment locating service; both of which are required BEFORE they (YOU) can receive a final parole approval in the state of Tennessee. YOUR PAROLE PLAN!!!

TPPO is currently financed and operated solely by current prisoners and parolees in their continual search for information (not just for or from Tennessee), to assist all convicts who desire and are forced to help themselves through networking. There is a real shortage of halfway housing throughout the United States and those who require them for their parole planning, are being denied the information (where they are located) concerning said housing, by and from current correctional officials, e.g. prison counselor's to parole officer's, so as the convict trying to help themselves get out...can't!

TPPO is especially seeking addresses to any and all halfway housing known and employment opportunities, as well as any other resources which would be of benefit to all who hope to gain their freedom again one day!

In the meantime, be sure to write with any new organizational services address, as well as explaining what they offer, and let us know here at TPPO of any changes or closings of any current information listed here. TPPO can always use donated stamps to continue their work; as well, have to require three (3) .29¢ stamps for additional copies of this listing, to be printed & mailed. Any other correspondence must also be accompanied with a stamp (not a SASE) since envelopes are not allowed in through the mail rooms here.

ADDITIONAL PENPALS

THE LETTER EXCHANGE
P.O. Box 6218
Albany, CA 94706

ORION SERVICES
P.O. Box 19-0944
San Francisco, CA 94119
Nation wide gay and lesbian penpal
service. Send for application.
\$15/year membership!

PRISON PENPAL PROGRAM
Route 1, Box 82
Spruce Pine, NC 27105

SOJOURNERS MAGAZINE
Connections
P.O. Box 29272
Washington, DC 20078-5290

WORLD CONTACTS NETWORK
c/o Michael Walsten
14370 Fairway Drive
Eden Prairie, MN 55344

ADDITIONAL BOOKS

AFRICAN CULTURAL CENTER
10 South Park Avenue
Rockville Center, NY 11570
(FREE BOOKS)

FREEDOM PRESS
525 K East Market Street, #171
Leesburg, VA 22075
(Books sold at cost)

FREEDOM
P.O. Box 819
Winnie, TX 77665
(Legal Info., self-help project)

ADDITIONAL CRIMINAL
JUSTICE PUBLICATIONS

BULLDOZER
P.O. Box 5052, Station A
Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5W-1W4
Bi-monthly tabloid on prison
conditions in the U.S. and
elsewhere. FREE to prisoners!

PRISONER LEGAL NEWS
P.O. Box 1684
Lake Worth, FL 33460
Excellent prisoner newsletter.
Send donations of stamps or money
for subscription.

ADDITIONAL AIDS INFO

FREE INFO ON WOMEN & AIDS
National AIDS Information
Clearinghouse
Box 6003
Rockville, MD 20850

A free packet on women and AIDS
is available from the National
AIDS Information Clearinghouse.
It includes a fact sheet, listing
of groups which offer services
for women, listing of newsletters,
books, brochures and more. Write
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This story was written by T [redacted] #175516, an inmate friend of Lindsey Phillips who has aspirations to become a journalist once released from prison. I thank Lindsey for this great opportunity. And we both would like to thank Justina Williams for her continued support.

The story of Marty (Lindsey) Phillips is a story about a life that was torn in one day. It is a story that unfortunately serves as a reminder to us all, that we can spend a substantial part of our lives realizing a dream, just to have our dreams swept away in the shower of confusion that we call life.

Lindsey is a pre-op gender dysphoric male who left home at the age of fourteen with the hope of realizing her dreams. She is a female who is trapped in the body of a male. It is a moral crime. Lindsey was determined to change fate; nothing would stand in the way of her

becoming the woman she knew she was intuitively.

Ever since the age of 17, Lindsey has lived her life as a woman. And with tenacity she began the physical alterations that would help her realize her dreams. She has had breast implants, derma-brasion (removal of outer skin layers) and the daily prescriptions of female hormones.

During the pursuit of her dreams, Lindsey developed a wander lust for traveling that took her all around the country, to places like Chicago, New York City, California, Hawaii, Las Vegas, etc.

Along with attaining valuable life experiences, she has earned a G.E.D. and a degree from a cosmetology college in Chicago. She was definitely on her way to becoming an intelligent, beautiful and successful woman - the realization of a dream.

With naturally endowed talents Lindsey was earning between \$750.00 to

\$2,000.00 weekly. She has worked as a cocktail waitress and a dancer.

One day her real talent was discovered when she joined a traveling theater company. She was a chorus girl in "Sophisticated Ladies," which played in the Fisher Theater in Detroit, Michigan.

She was part of "La Cage Aux Follies," a play about transvestites that toured Detroit, New York, Chicago and Las Vegas. She has also portrayed the images of great actresses, such as Rita Hayworth, Shirley McClain, Marilyn Monroe and Ann Margaret.

She had to this point developed a very glamorous lifestyle by anyone's measures. But she had not yet fully realized her dream, which was to become a woman in every sense of the word.

Lindsey had no way of knowing when she met, fell in love with, and married Gradie Wofford, that her dreams would go up in smoke. It began as a match made in heaven. But it ended in a nightmare that consisted of physical and mental abuse.

After 12 years together they eventually separated under very stressful circumstances. Lindsey could not have known that a year later fate would bring them back together, and that a dream she had spent realizing for most of her life would be torn in one day.

After being separated for a year, Lindsey was assigned to do a show in Detroit, and stayed in the hotel complex for performers. Meanwhile, Gradie Wofford happened to be working in the same hotel at that time, thereby re-entering her life.

She had doubts about becoming involved with him again, but her heart felt things for him that her mind could not really comprehend.

She began a casual involvement that would eventually result in her being arrested for aiding and abetting an arson - murder.

While carrying out a personal vendetta, Gradie Wofford torched a business that resulted in a death.

Lindsey was arrested and found guilty, because of her involvement with him. She was sentenced to life without parole.

Lindsey is a prison inmate in an all male penal institution in Ionia, Michigan. As the result of an appeal her sentence was reduced to 20-30 years! With good-time and time already served, she will be eligible for parole in three years.

Since her incarceration, Lindsey has sued the State of Michigan in an effort to continue to receive female hormones, which she has been taking since the age of seventeen. Her lawsuits have been successful for the most part. And she has opened the door in many cases for gender dysphorics, yet not others.

As a result of her lawsuit, the Department of Corrections was ordered to continue female hormone treatment at a maintenance dosage. They were also ordered to pay her attorney fees to Howard & Howard lawfirm.

Lindsey's dream was torn in one day. She has not given up. She is determined to one day realize her lifetime dream. She is a very brave and courageous individual. There is no doubt in this writer's mind that she will be successful in her future endeavors, because now she has Justina Williams and The N.G.D.O.

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The Incarcerate Management Issue

By Laura Masters, October 19, 1992

I am a transgenderist, a woman and a male. For about eight years I have lived as a woman. I have also become an equality seeking member of my peer community, and have been in contact with the Ontario Human Rights Commission, in this capacity for nearly five years. In January 1991 I went to my local newspaper with my story and have subsequently assumed the task of publicly advocating equal rights and dignity for both transgenderists and transsexuals. Nothing strikes deeper terror into my soul than the idea of being falsely or improperly incarcerated, as would surely be the case under the current policies in force in most prison facilities, Correctional Services Ministries or Commissions.

This document deals with these issues from the pre-operative male-to-female transsexual and male transgenderist perspectives. The issues and concerns of post-operative male-to-female transsexuals, female-to-male transsexuals and female transgenderists may be somewhat different than those described herein.

■ Historical Perspective

Cross-living is an ancient way of life. Males who adopt all manner of the women around them are nothing new on the Earth. We have been around since the beginning of history and we have been in every society. Although known by many different names throughout history, we now call ourselves "Transgenderists".

Unlike transgenderism, transsexualism is new. The medical and pharmacological skills needed to perform an adequate sex-reassignment procedure did not exist until the end of World War II. These newly developed physical skills along with the involvement of psychiatry combined to create a new syndrome called "transsexualism". Although nobody can truly change sexes, transsexuals can finally achieve a comfortable body image and can socially integrate themselves as members of their opposite sex, its the answer to their dreams.

In most ancient societies the transgendered were neither secretive nor brash, which often earned them a degree of respect and indulgence. Even today we hold special status in some cultures. In India the Hijras (a castrati cult paralleling transsexuals) are religious leaders, priestesses who bless weddings and name babies. In Native North American society the Berdache (like transgenderists) are considered wise women, serving as advisors to the tribal elders. History also shows that in those societies where we were not revered, we were, for the most part, well

tolerated and often left to our own devices. Africa's Serrer, for example, were quietly accepted as women.

Our current public disparagement is a direct result of the development of sex-change surgery. For many centuries, we lived in comparative peace and anonymity and for the most part we blended into the post-Columbus North American society so effortlessly that our existence here was all but unknown before the 1957 outing of Christene Jorgensen and the subsequent worldwide scandal about sex-change. Never before has any one group been so rapidly factionalized and so thoroughly besmirched as transsexuals were. The news media did a very thorough job indeed; it took only a few weeks to thrust transsexuals into public view and to reduce them to the status of "freaks" and "perverts". The ensuing scandal continued for more than 10 years, and the stories became continuously more disparaging as hundreds of transsexuals were outed by the Media.

On the heels of our fall from grace, came the power politics of the feminist movement and the rapid growth of behavioural psychology. The sum of these two forces has squelched all talk of the previously well recognized inherent gender related differences between men and women. We are now being indoctrinated politically to believe that men and women are interchangeable and psychology swears that all gender related behaviour is learned.

Men and Woman are really the same -- or else!

In the face of this onslaught of media, feminism and psychology, transsexualism rapidly became "politically inconvenient" and a wave of oppression began; how should those ickey people, so motivated by gender as to change sex, be explained away? In 1977 the World Health Organization recognized transsexualism as a chronic mental illness. In 1980 the American Psychiatric Association added it to their DSM as a chronic psychosexual disorder. Transgenderism is, thankfully, not on either list.

Reality must be faced here, transgenderism, a harmless lifestyle recognized and accepted for over four millennia does not just suddenly become a mental illness called transsexualism. Our askance society has arbitrarily declared it so, in an act of utterly shameless bigotry.

35 years after the scandal, both transsexuals and transgenderists are still paying the price. We now find ourselves severely marginalized in society, and discredited to the point where we are no longer considered competent to speak about our own concerns. We are, in the social sense, bound and gagged. Consequently, there is no legal or social recognition of transgenderism in Canada and almost all transsexual related policy has been set in consultation with so called psychiatric experts, rather than talking to us. This has resulted in many policies that are solely

managerial in nature and show no compassion for us at all.

During my own lifetime my peers have been devastated; our ancient self-understandings have been forcibly replaced by feminist dogma and psychological absurdity. A group once cherished for its insight has been newly consigned to the ranks of the incurably mentally ill, people to be neither seen nor heard.

■ The Missing Insights

For many centuries, right up until the mid-1960s, people understood the difference between sex and gender, it was customary to describe persons like myself as "Women living in male bodies". Although adequately descriptive, these time tested insights are now being trampled into oblivion by the gender denials of feminism and psychiatry. Our ages old self-understanding, the very basis for our past acceptance, is now described as "hackneyed cliché" by people purporting themselves to be experts on transsexualism.

Our reality is suddenly invalid.

Sex, the maleness or femaleness of a person, is mostly a matter of body parts. It has very little to do with who a person is and how they function in society. Proof of this apparently wild claim is easily obtained by speaking to people who's primary sex organs have been removed due to accident or illness. They do not undergo changes in their sense of gender, nor do they seek to change their social integration. Men who lose their penises and testes don't become women, women who lose their ovaries and uterus don't turn into men. Therefore; it is reasonable to conclude that our sex organs do not profoundly influence our sense of identity.

Gender, manhood or womanhood, is the prime element of a person's identity. Unlike sex, gender encompasses every last fiber of our beings. Our personalities, sensibilities, modesties, prides, ambitions, and social fit all emanate from gender. Gender also determines who our friends are, influences our careers, our clothing, our lifestyles and (to a lesser extent than sexual orientation) helps us pick our sexual partners. When we interact with others, or form impressions of others, it is gender we are reacting to, not sex.

We are more aware of gender than we are of sex. When walking down the street, it is easy to deduce who are men or women. We do not always know which sex these people are, but we do know their gender. With the single exception of the carnal act we interact almost exclusively with the person (gender), not with their genitals (sex).

Clearly, gender identity is a far better indicator of who we are and how we fit into the world than our genitals. We can change

many aspects of our appearance, our lifestyles, and our living habits, we can even surgically change our genitals but we can never change our gender identity.

Male-to-female transsexuals and male transgenderists are people of the woman kind. Once active in the true-gender role, we rapidly become socially integrated as women, often to the point where many of us have friends who know nothing of our maleness. We look, act and sound like women. We use women's names and take female hormones to enhance our physical femininity. We function as women on personal, social and professional levels, and we have the same general personalities, sensibilities, prides and modesties as most women. For all intents and purposes we are women. We are in fact motivated to live as we do because of our womanhood, not --as most psychiatrists will tell you-- in spite of our manhood.

Unfortunately, this centuries old understanding has collapsed beneath the steam roller politics of gender neutrality. There is no independent recognition of womanhood or manhood in current society, sex and gender are thought synonymous, and anyone who attempts to expound the obvious differences between them is shouted into silence. We, as a society, have lost our permission to objectively examine the human spirit.

■ The Overriding Concern

Male-to-female transsexuals and male transgenderists end up in men's prisons because there is no recognition of gender identity. Our sex organs, the only indicator used by Correctional Services are completely ignorant of the entire rest of our lives.

We are declared men, solely because of our penises.

There are far more salient observational criteria such as social integration, lifestyle, legal name etc. available to tell us who we are actually dealing with. But these factors are now invalid, since innate gender identity officially no longer exists.

The flaws in current policy are obvious when we consider that post operative male-to-female transsexuals are placed in women's facilities. The day before the surgery they would go to a men's facility, but the surgery is not the beginning of these people's womanhoods. Most transsexuals are socially integrated as members of their opposite sexes for years before this surgery takes place. Most transgenderists cross-live completely and never have the surgery. Our identity is not changed by a surgical procedure, we are women long before we rid ourselves of our penises.

The real dividing line is social not surgical; we must look at the way a person lives, not how they look about the crotch. Blacks, Quebecers, Sikhs, Budhists and Jews are not stripped of their

cultural identity. Men who are male and Women who are female are not stripped of their gender identities. Yet, the prison system justifies stripping us of our identity, our modesty, our pride, and our dignity solely on the basis of our genitals. We are being punished for our social integration, instead of for our crimes.

Gender Identity is not a crime.

Most male transgenderists and male-to-female transsexuals are very feminine people, with the sensibilities of women. They are women, not homosexuals or transvestites. Placing them in a men's prison is blatant discrimination on the ground of sex, and in many cases amounts to torturing a human being.

■ The Safety Issues

The American current affairs media has recently reported a number of cases of male-to-female transsexuals assigned to men's prisons. These unfortunates have been repeatedly raped, and/or humiliated while incarcerated. There is even a story of a transsexual who was raped by a prison guard in one of the maximum security facilities in California.

Try to imagine the terror a woman (of either sex) would feel when placed into a men's prison. The power imbalance, between her and all those men would invite repeated abuses. Unless she could overpower Rambo sized opponents she would surely be subject to repeated sexual assaults and constant emotional abuses. We must also remember that putting a woman into a men's prison places her amongst the very people she fears most; she will be living amongst men who are in jail because of their extreme disregard for the welfare and feelings of women.

Women simply are not safe in men's prisons.

In the transsexual or transgenderist case, this power imbalance is made even worse by our use of female hormones to feminize our bodies. These have the effect of reducing overall muscle mass and they particularly reduce upper body strength. These pills also add new and very sensitive breast tissue. Plainly, we would not stand a chance in a fight against even an average sized man.

If we are to be placed --against all common sense-- into men's prisons, the decision by Correctional Services to allow us into protective custody areas is well founded. I will, however, assert that I can see a discriminatory effect if a person is put in protective custody solely because of their transsexuality. Protective custody may be life saving for some of us and it absolutely must be available to us but we should none the less be placed there either at our own request or in the aftermath of a problem. It should not simply be a case of "You're a transsexual,

we are going to isolate you."

Of course, the best place for a woman is in a woman's prison and the safety issues would be greatly diminished there because the transsexual prisoner would not stick out like a sore thumb and because the power imbalances would be minimized.

■ The Dignity Issues

Most of us, being women, have the same dignities and modesties as other women plus one more, we are as a rule embarrassed about our male genitals. Being forced to wear men's clothes, take showers amongst men, use men's washrooms, to dress and undress amongst men and to be "frisked" by men represents a heinous disregard for our feminine modesty. I find the whole idea of baring my breasts, in front of a room full of sex starved men, utterly horrifying.

While I can appreciate that the reverse issues --women objecting to showering with us etc.-- may well apply should we be placed in a women's facility, it should present no serious problem to allow a transsexual prisoner a few minutes of privacy each day for a shower, or to shave if they still have facial hair. Clearly this accommodation makes far more sense than attempting to modify a men's environment to accommodate one panic stricken woman.

■ Recommendations

Since it should now be apparent that a penis is a very poor indicator of identity, we must replace this overly simplistic method with something a little more comprehensive. My recommendations are these:

- Social integration --common name, clothing, gender role and appearance-- should be recognized as the most salient indicators of a person's manhood or womanhood.
- If a male to female transsexual, or male transgenderist is socially integrated as a woman prior to incarceration, they should be assigned to a woman's facility, and treated as much as a woman as possible, while there.
- Persons using female hormones before incarceration should continue to receive their hormone prescriptions while incarcerated.
- Psychiatry should be available to those who request it, but should not be mandatory for these inmates. There is no premise for the belief that transgenderism is a mental illness.

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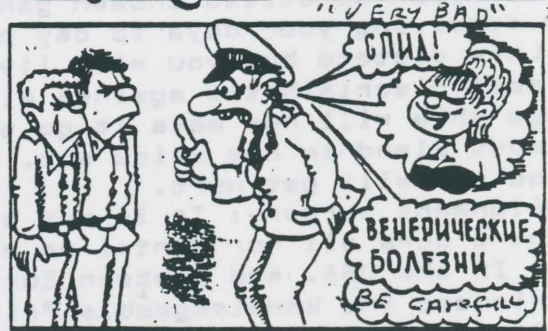
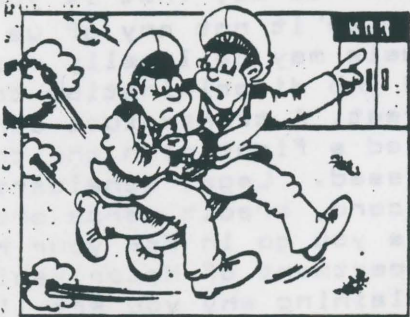
Being a Transsexual is not easy: Transsexuals may be legally oppressed in a number of ways, Brom restroom useage and job discrimination to traffic obstruction, just for walking down the street. A transsexual can be cited for disturbing the peace if some one started a fight with the transsexual just because the original sex had been guessed. Legal considerations; Have your divers license, Social Security card, credit cards and insurance papers changed to your new name before you go in for your reassignment surgery. Check with your Local Library, Department of Motor Vehicles, and Lawyer for help. Have a Doctors Letter explaining why you are living full time in your so called chosen gender. All of these measures should help with resolving your days to day problems. Always Remember that Society, and Laws dictate how you will live not your selfish desires. We are still the most discriminated against minority in the world and Your wanting to change this will not make it go away. To save your self hurt and oppression you must blend in not stick out. If you make trouble like some advise it is you who will get hurt.

Reassignment surgery: It is not a on demand or upon want surgery. The surgery is not a cure all for mental or physical disordres and is not for every body. In the USA. and Western Europe, the pperation is performed by a few experienced and knowledgeable Privat and clinical surgeons. As yet they are still quite few in number. The Costs? Male to Female Surgery ranges from \$4,000.00 to \$16,000.00 for the surgery alone. This does not include up to \$5,000.0 for electrolysis and thousands more for therapy, voice specialist hormones, and clothing for your new sex. Clothing to dress as a female is quite expensive. From start to finish I invested \$45,000.00 in a new female body. There are options to reassignment, Having been there would I take a option. NO for me it was all or nothing, but I have very good friends who are living full time female lives with the none surgery option. Think about IT; Sex Reassignment surgery is a lifetime commitment: Be very sure before you take that final step. Changing Back is not only painfull But it DOES NOT Work. It is not successful. Be willing to spend the extra dollars for the very best available professional help. And Remember Society will not help you make the transformation They don't care. It is not their problem Crying about your problem to society is a waste of time.

HAPPINESS IS NOT A MATTER OF GOOD FORTUNE OR WORLDLY POSSESSIONS. IT'S A MENTAL ATTITUDE. IT COMES FROM APPRECIATING WHAT WE HAVE INSTEAD OF BEING MISERABLE ABOUT WHAT WE DON'T HAVE. IT'S SO SIMPLE YET SO HARD FOR THE HUM_ AN MIND TO COMPREHEND..... Melissa: God bless you Girl and guide you.

WEEK END PASSES

PERMISSION PASSES



Not me! I USED A CONDOM!

У АРЬЕ I HAD A GOOD WEEKEND PASS!

BE CAREFUL! Прудет!