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*Phi Pi Epsilon*

*Membership Directory*

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## COMMENTS

Many of you who are now members of FPE were not members in the fall of 1972 when I discussed some of the problems involved in reorganizing the sorority. One of them is still a source of some conflict and warrants being mentioned again to all of you. This is the matter of other organizations purporting to serve the interests of femmiphiles. I am not going to refer to them as "competing" organizations because this is not some sort of race in which someone emerges as a winner. At the same time I couldn't say "similar" organizations because none of them is like FPE. To some degree they are "parallel" groups since they serve, to varying degrees, the interests of our kind of people in addition to many other types.

FPEs are generally so lonely that they will grab on to any group that looks like it offers some sort of understanding and acceptance. As a result, in this more enlightened time, a number of such groups have sprung up in various parts of the country. It really isn't too difficult to form such a group today when, a) the world is much more tolerant and restrictive laws in lots of cities and states have been struck down and, b) when the organization is open to gay as well as straight cross dressers; pre- and post-operative "transexuals"; rubber and leather fetishists; as well as to bondage and punishments addicts. Such groups take the position that if you cross dress you are a "transvestite" regardless of when, why or how you do it, or what purpose the dressing serves in your life. Naturally when you have such an "open door" policy it is not difficult to generate a large membership list.

As I have said many times, it is not right for one minority to oppress another. I am quite willing personally to let all such other minorities exist and do their "thing" in their own way and time--

as long as they don't tread on my or other peoples rights and privileges. However, there are a very large number of FPs in this country who are ONLY FPs (heterosexual cross-dressers and nothing else) and who also have something at stake in the way of wives, families, position, reputation, responsibilities etc.

Such persons have need of an organization concerned about their problems and responsive to their needs for security. Security, you know, has two facets--the literal reality aspect of secrecy, possible blackmail and such, and the psychological aspect--freedom from worry or concern about others, an ability and opportunity to relax and enjoy oneself in safe company and in secure surroundings. This can only be accomplished with any assurance if all the members of such a group have the same interests, are selected by the same process and have all been required to put themselves on record in the same way. These conditions apply in FPE but do not apply in any other group.

For maintaining that concept of security for YOUR benefit, I am continuously sniped at by other groups and even by some in FPE. I learned a long time ago that you can't win, but sometimes it gets a little too much. For example, during the last two months I have received many letters but two stand out. Both are from persons who are or were members of FPE. One of them scolded me for not "updating" the concepts on which FPE is based--of not getting "with it" and recognizing the big changes that have and are coming about in our society. In short I was chastized for being old fashioned, being concerned with only a single segment of cross-dressing society and for being too concerned with security.

The other letter takes me to task for not being secure enough. This party was concerned about her

own and others identity and security not being adequately protected, particularly in the event of my death or if I should sell Chevalier. She said, "This is a time when our FPE policies should be reviewed with the object of strengthening our security---". So you see I can't win. "You can't please all the people all the time---" I devised the system presently in operation ten years ago and it has worked well and helped a great many people so I think I'll just continue it as is. After all it is for the good of you the members--it has no personal advantage for me.

This writer also suggests that the applications be returned to the applicant once they are checked out. That would render the application pretty useless and open the door to all and sundry as there would be no further deterring effect on the individual. Keeping the application with it's signed pledge acknowledging that the applicant is an FP and a subscriber to TVia, might just be enough to make somebody think twice before undertaking some action that would be inappropriate or detrimental to FPE or to one of its members. In effect, every member of FPE is hostage to her own good behaviour and consideration for her sisters, so it will stay the way it is.

As a reassurance to those who may be concerned about the final disposition of these applications... they are kept in a Bank America Safe Deposit box. Should I die, Mary is under instructions to take them out and burn the lot. She is my right hand and is trustworthy enough that she is on all my personal accounts and handles my personal business for me when I am gone. It would be impracticable to try to return the applications at that time... too many are no longer members...too many addresses have been changed. You wouldn't want your application floating around in todays mails would you? Sending them registered mail would be both too expensive and too

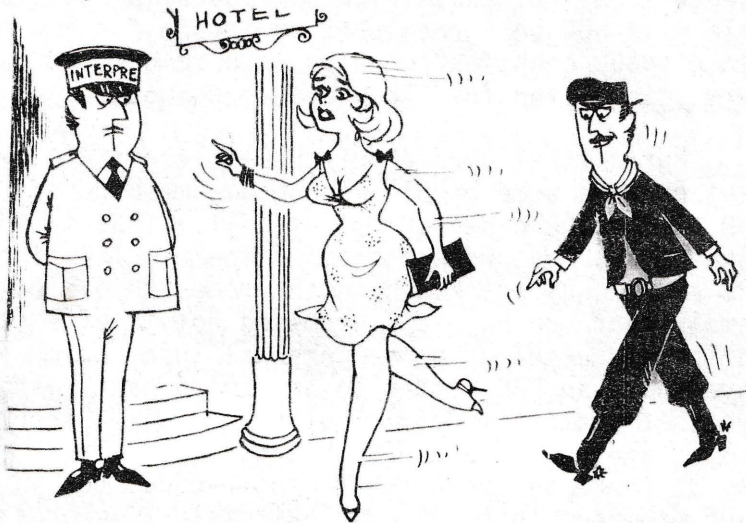
time consuming thus destruction is the simplest answer.

Some have worried about the dispositions of FPE should I dispose of Chevalier. I make this pledge to all of you. The FPE membership books and file will NOT be turned over to anyone for any reason without consultation with each member and their permission given for the proposed change.

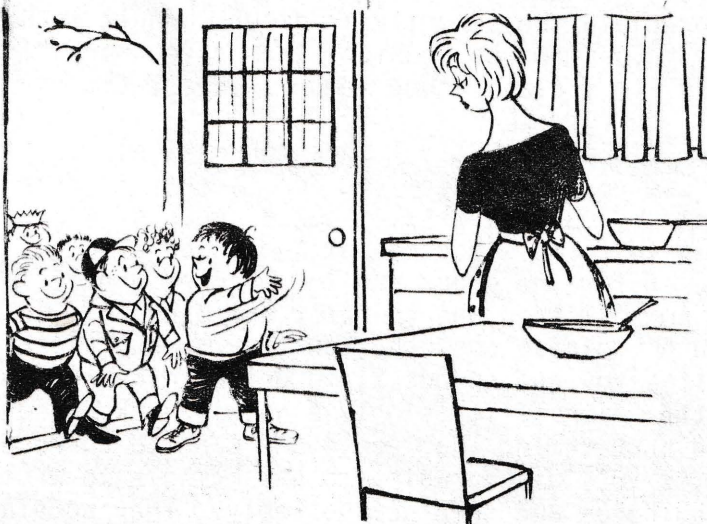
But a final word about these alternative groups ---there are some people who become members of FPE AND one of the other groups as well. That is their right but I must remind them of their obligation to FPE sisters as set forth in the membership pledge, namely that you have all promised not to give the names, addresses or other personal information you have about an FPE sister to any third party without that sisters specific authorization. Other groups and people are not that strict and what you may do there is according to their code, but you have promised to treat your FPE sisters according to our rules. Please remember that if you belong to two groups. People are in FPE because they appreciate the security it offers and it is not right for those few who consider themselves more "liberated" to violate other members expectations.

DIRECTORY USE: I hope you will all continue to use your Directory and Supplements to make other contacts in your area. When a group of 4 or 5 manages to form, elect one of the members to the interviewer for the group and let me know who it is to be so I'll know who to refer new ones to. But will you ALL please show the courtesy to any sister who writes you and spends \$1 to do so to answer her letter even if it is only a note of acknowledgement and a statement that you don't want to correspond. It is very discouraging to new members to write with high hopes and then get no reply. They complain to me but I can do nothing except to urge you to show

at least the minimum courtesy of acknowledgement. If a group already exists let the secretary contact new sisters in the area who show up in the Supplements. After all, most of them joined to meet others, welcome them!!



*"Quick! How do you say in Spanish: 'I'm not what you think?!'"*



*"HOW ABOUT SOMETHING TO EAT POP?"*

## ARIZONA

AZ-4-C; Fran; Tucson; 66; Protestant; 1 yr. college; Married; children, yes; Dressing b; Wife, F; Goal, 2,3,4; Hobby, Philosophy; Interests, music, opera, bowling, Chapter, none.

## CALIFORNIA

CA-59-P; Lonnie; Rosemead; 26; Religion, no preference, 1 yr. college; Unmarried; Dressing, d,e; Goal, 2,3,4; Hobbies, none; Interests, auto racing, flying; Chapter, none.

CA-60-B; Diane; San Diego; 26; Lutheran; College freshman now; Married; Children 3; Dressing, e; Wife, C; Goal, 2,3,4; Hobbies, model airplanes; Interests, music, bowling, sailing, bicycling; Chapter, none; Start one in San Diego.

CA-61-N; Bobbie; Encino, Jewish, 32; College junior and music conservatory; Never Married.; Dressing h,i; Goal, 2,3,; Interests, professional musician, and painter and writer of science fiction.

## COLORADO

CO-12-C; June; Denver; 50; College; Divorced; Children, 3; Dressing e; Goal 3,4; Hobby, rock hound; Interests, music, aviation. Chapter, Sigma.

## ILLINOIS

IL-24-C; Gail; Chicago; 42; Catholic; M.A.; Married; Children, 1; Dressing c; Wife, B; Goal, 3; Hobbies, Classical music, stamps, HO trains, crafts; Interests, Sports; Chapter, none:

IL-25-R; Karen; Chicago; 24, Catholic, College plus one year; Married; Children, 1; Dressing, f; Wife, C; Goal 2,3,4; Hobbies, Astronomy, chess, photography; Interests; Music, bowling, tennis, chemistry, medicine; Chapter, none;

IL-26-S; Jan; Steger, Ill; 24, Catholic; High School; Married; Children, 2; Dressing f, h (with wife); Wife B.; Goal, 3; Hobbies, Fishing, Writing, music, driving sports cars; Interests, Flying, sewing, hair styling. Chapter, none.

IL-27-Q; Rita; Evanston, 36; Episcopal; College; Married; Children, 3; Dressing, e; Wife, C; Goal, 3, 4,; Hobbies, Photography, woodworking, motorhoming; Interests, bowling, golf, theater, Chapter, Chi:

IL-28-Q; Tricia; So. Holland; 31; Catholic; College -2 yrs. graduate study; Married, children 3; Dressing b; Wife C; Goal, 2,3,4; Hobbies, Coin Collecting, guns, WW II history; Interests, Classical music, flying (own Plane), hunting. Chapter, none.

#### MISSISSIPPI

MS-2-C; Conny; Mississippi City; 39, Presbyterian; College; Married; No Children; Dressing b; Wife A; Goal 2,3,4; Hobbies, electronics, wood-working, motorcycles, amateur radio, photography, Interests, square dancing; Chapter, none.

#### NEW JERSEY

NJ-8-C; Rebecca; Dover, N.J.; 36; Protestant; College; Married; Children, 2; Dressing b; Wife, C; Goal, 3; Hobbies, U.S. History, embroidery, sketching; Interests, Most sports, country music, Chapter, none.

## NEW YORK

NY-10-M; Elanda; Rome, N.Y.; 47; Protestant; College; Divorced; Children 2; Dressing, e,f; Goal, 1, 2,3,4; Hobbies, Collecting femme things; Interests, Music, Theater, opera, dancing, flying, jogging, Chapter, none; Start one Rome, Utica, Rochester??

NY-11-C: Christine; New Hyde Pk. N.Y.; 55; Episcopal; College: Married: Dressing c; Wives rating, A; Goal, 3,4; Hobbies Coins, Sculpture; Interests, chess, skiing skating, baking, cooking, Karate, gardening; Chapter; None; Start one L.I.

## NEVADA

NV-5-W; Dacyl; Litchfield; 43; Protestant; High School; Married; No children; Dressing, g,h; Wife, B; Goal, 1,2,3; Hobbies, Drawing, Fishing, Carpentry, all sports, Interests, Dancing, bowling, golf. Chapter, none.

## VIRGINIA

VA-2-N; Dianna; Centerville; 42; Catholic; College; Married; Children, 3; Dressing, d; Wife, F; Goal, 3; No Hobbies; Interests, Golf, Tennis; Chapter, none:

## WASHINGTON D.C.

DC-1-M; Karen; Wash. D.C; 45; Protestant; College; Married; Dressing, e; Wife B; Goal 3; Interest, boating: Chapter, none.

## AUSTRALIA

FAu-3-B; Joy; Adelaide; 51; Athiest; Average; Divorced; Children 1; Dressing d,e; Goal 2,3,4; Interests, music, animals, literature, photography, discussions; Start chapter in Adelaide:

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

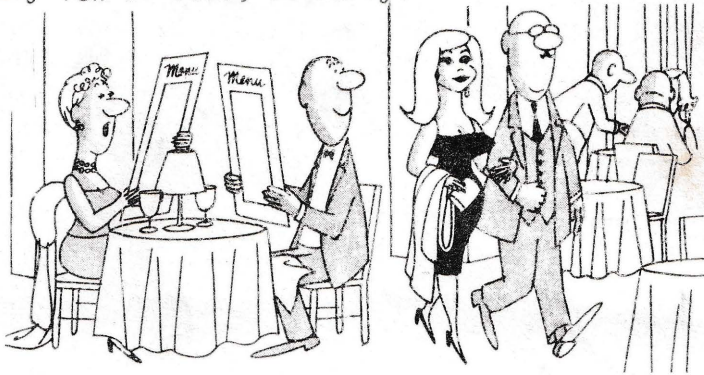
- 1) SEASONS GREETINGS: As I gave up on cards years ago, please all of you accept this as Best Wishes from Mary and Myself.
- 2) 1974 DUES: The membership fee for the second and subsequent years is set at \$6, first year dues remain at \$12. As last year the 1974 DIRECTORY will be published in February and will contain the names of those paid up as of Feb. 1. Please therefore send in the enclosed card and your \$6 right NOW while you think of it. It really isn't much and time and your memory are liable to run out on you if you don't get it done.
- 3) DIRECTORY CHANGES: If you wish a change in your Directory entry please note it on the card and enclose a \$1 bill. A change means complete retyping and restripping the entry thus the charge.
- 4) OUT OF STOCK BACK ISSUES: As you will remember I have been offering in TVia to buy back for \$2 any issues which we no longer have in stock in order that those who wish to fill gaps in their series of TVias can do so.

I have thereby accumulated quite a number of back issues. Since they were purchased for \$2 their sale price has to be \$6. While this announcement will also go into TVia #80 I'm making it here first to give FPE members first crack at the limited numbers available. This will probably be your last chance to get these as they are becoming collectors items.

Available numbers of the various issues run from 1 or 2 to 8 or 9--not very many in any case. So if you want to fill in your series please write the order right NOW while you are reading this. Since there are so few of each it will be first come-

first served and you wouldn't want to be disappointed would you. If you are only ordering 1 or 2 issues please give your second choices so that if I can't fill your first order I'll know what to fall back on.

(5 NUMBERS AVAILABLE: 5,6,-10,-23,24,25,-28,29,-32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,-41,42,43,44,45,46,47,-50,-53,54,55,56,57,58,59,60. Not too many of any and very few of some, so hurry.



"YOU'D NEVER THINK THEY WERE BROTHERS, WOULD YOU?"



"THIS IS MY TWIN BROTHER GEORGE  
BUT HE'S WEARING A DARK WIG TONIGHT FOR A CHANGE."

