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Monthly Magazine of the Transgender Independence Club

Personal Notice

"Will the Chuck from down the Hudson please return the wig? It is my best one, and I do need it. Thanks. Joe

Halloween Planning

Karen working very hard on planning the Halloween party, but would like more volunteers to help her with the details. Current plans are to have the Halloween Party on Saturday, October 24th at Yours in downtown Schenectady, 145 Barrett Street. The party times would officially be from 7 PM to 2 AM, with Yours providing a changing area at 6 PM for those who want to change there. Please circle your calendars NOW and also contact Karen would to tell her you are coming and also to volunteer.

Confusing Town Names

I drive to Keene, New Hampshire to have electrolysis on many Saturdays. This week I drove through the town of East Westmoreland, NH, which I assume was east of Westmoreland, which in itself was west of Moreland, but I did not stop to inquire. Vermont seems to have a particular fascination with this type of place name, as I found East Middleburg, Northfield Center, Westminster West and my favorite, South Northfield. Maine has both a North East Harbor and a South West Harbor. And Massachusetts has its East Northfield. North North Middleboro and Easton, South Middleboro. New York has East Northport, and only Connecticut and Rhode Island seem immune from this type of place name.

This has nothing to do with anything, but hey, it felt interesting. --Vicky

Wither TGIC?

--Callan

September, 1998

It's September again, and again the question must be asked: What will happen to TGIC this year?

The problem that TGIC has is shared with many TG groups around the country. People stay for a while and then leave, but in the past few years there haven't been as many new people coming into replace the old. TGIC, and other groups, are shrinking. For TGIC this brings challenges, like empty key-club closets that are the financial bedrock, the mainline that keeps TGIC alive.

Why is this happening? Undoubtedly there are many reasons.

Some have noted that the Internet provides a new simulated community for transvestites, a place to share words and pictures without leaving the comfort of their home. They don't need the communication and fellowship that a real club offers enough to come out and spend the time and energy.

On the flip side, transgender is more accepted in society at large, so those who choose to be out have more options. From gay organizations that accept transgender to a more open approach in churches and stores, there is less need for the closet of transgender only space, as those who choose to can enter the world.

Along with both of these new ways to be out as transgendered, either virtually or in real-life, the interlocking organizations of the transgender community continue to face internal challenges. The split between those who want to occasionally dress up and party, those who want to get a cure for gender dysphoria by becoming normative, and those who are arguing for a new, queer, public view of transgender continues to flare. These very different approaches to managing the same transgender urges and are in conflict, a conflict that many would rather not enter into.

What are the benefits for being out and transgendered? Passing is not a solid basis to create a community, either passing as the sex/gender of choice, or the sex/gender we are issued at birth. For transgendered people who are invested in maintaining a public image, it becomes very difficult to actively work to build community.

This has been the key problem that has faced TGIC over the past 10 years, the choice of most members not to take a leadership role in planning events, doing outreach, educating people, maintaining & improving the club facilities, contributing to the newsletter and so Winnie has kept the club going though on. sheer stubbornness, hoping that new leadership will emerge, that people will see the benefit of working for community, both as a gift to others and a gift to themselves, feeling valuable though building something special. The rule about doing something at TGIC is simple: if you have a good idea that you would like to see TGIC do, just do it, like Kathryn involved TGIC with the SUNY G&L Student conference or I organized an e-mail list. As Robert Shuller reminds us "If it is to be, it is up to me."

With family obligations and the choice not to be visible as transgendered though, most people have quite understandably chosen not to take a leadership role in TGIC and that means TGIC has continued to wither. The ad still goes in Metroland every week, unchanged for years, and the ones who call still get three months of the newsletter, but fewer call and fewer decide to join.

The truth about TGIC is the truth about all volunteer organizations: there is no one to assign the work to. Unless people pitch in, nothing new gets done, things get stagnant and moribund, and any organization that isn't busy growing is busy dying. Without new energy, TGIC continues an inevitable downward slide. For many of us who were helped by TGIC, seeing this downward slide is sad. Yet, when we do contribute and don't see others also pitching in, eventually we too need to move on, and just let it go.

September is here and the question comes up once more: Wither TGIC? At this writing no one has pitched in to help with something as simple as a Halloween party, and the energy continues to drain.

What will happen to TGIC? Is this the last September for TGIC? Is TGIC a used-up organization, a vestige of another time and place? Is it time to let TGIC die quietly?

Wither TGIC? As it turns out, only you can answer that question.

The Three Parts Of TGIC

In years of talking about TGIC, three basic areas of activity where work is needed have been identified: Outreach, Programming & Operations. Many people have suggested changes in these three areas. Some are listed below

Outreach: Reach new members, do education

- -- Newsletter
- -- TGIC Website

-- Mailings to therapists and social service agencies

-- Advertisements in publications other than Metroland

- -- TGIC Phone Tree to pass information
- -- Speakers Bureau
- -- Presentations/Workshops
- -- Working with local media

-- Liaison with CDGLCC and other organizations

Programming: Activities for members and others -- Parties: Halloween, Christmas, Mardi Gras, etc.

-- Support Groups: TS, Partners, etc.

- -- Focused Presentations at meetings
- -- Big Sister program

- -- Monthly dinners
- -- Group discussions on specific topics
- -- Joint events with other groups
- -- Monthly party night
- -- Monthly newcomer's night with introductions
- -- Trips (e.g. bus trip to NYC)

Operations: Maintaining and upgrading TGIC facilities

- -- Clubroom furniture
- -- Bathroom upgrade

-- Computer voice mail system for members/inquiries

- -- Better storage
- -- Key club for members
- -- New space for TGIC
- -- Clubroom maintenance/cleaning/soda etc
- -- Dues, membership list
- -- Library cleanup

Work in any of these three areas could help all enjoy TGIC more and could help TGIC grow though attracting new members and giving them more to enjoy when they do attend.

Thank you, Callan, for this thought-provoking essay.

Karen Kopriva is one of my friends from the web who helped me with my transition. So far her own transition has gone very well. I thought you might like to meet her "in the news" and also some of her own writings. I have not mentioned her before because of secrecy surrounding her transition.



A Dramatic Test of Tolerance

--Susan Dodge and Brenda Warner Rotzoll, Chicago Sun Times

For 15 years, Ken Kopriva has taught honors English and drama at prestigious Lake Forest [Illinois] High School. When he returns to school this fall, it will be as a woman, Karen Kopriva. A popular, tenured teacher who has directed many of the school's plays over the years, Kopriva began telling some of his students about his plans after classes this year, students say. Administrators informed parents of the situation in a June 22 letter.

"He was an outstanding teacher and we expect her to be an outstanding teacher when she returns," Principal Marilyn Howell said in an interview Thursday. "We'll be focusing on what goes on in the classroom."

Teachers will not be discussing Kopriva's sexual identity in classes because it's "a personnel matter and a personal matter," Howell said. Kopriva already has worked in his office at school this summer dressed as a woman, wearing makeup and a skirt.

"It was kind of a shock seeing Karen Kopriva, but once I got over that in about 30 seconds, it was the same teacher I had always known," said Amanda Witt, 18, a recent graduate who was in Kopriva's drama class and appeared in several plays he directed.

Kopriva has been diagnosed with gender-identity disorder, a condition in which people have lifelong and persistent discomfort about their gender. The condition has nothing to do with sexual attraction and there is no known cure, said Randi Ettner, an Evanston psychologist and gender specialist.

People who want to have a sex-change operation must first see a psychologist for six months and then may be referred to an endocrinologist. The person then would be required to take hormones for at least one year, followed by what is called the "real-life test," in which the person spends a year of living and dressing as the preferred gender before having surgery, Ettner said. Kopriva, who could not be reached for comment, is undergoing that real-life test now.

Patients must get a second opinion from a psychologist before surgery, Ettner said. Several hundred such operations are performed every year in the United States, and 5,000 to 6,000 people have had the surgery, said Dr. Eugene Schrang, a Wisconsin plastic surgeon who transforms 200 men into women each year. The operation can cost about \$12,000.

For Debra Davis, changing her sexual identity from a man to a woman was "a relief" that brought "a sense of oneness. I am a complete person now." Davis, 51, a media specialist who runs the library at Southwest High School in Minneapolis, came out as a woman to staff members in May. She had worked for nearly 28 years as a man in the Minneapolis Public Schools. Lake Forest administrators studied Davis' case.

Teachers at Davis' school talked to students and answered their questions about Davis' transformation in first-period classes. Davis and school administrators say students and parents have been supportive of her decision. "Several students came in on the first day just to look at me, but, after that, it was business as usual," Davis said. Davis would not say whether she has had or plans to have sex-change surgery, saying such information was private.

Some Lake Forest parents have said Kopriva's changing identity could confuse teens going through adolescence. But Davis said, "Rather than be distracted by this, wouldn't it be wonderful if children would be even more enriched by having this exposure to diversity?"

In wealthy Lake Forest, which many residents describe as a conservative community, parents and students are having mixed reactions to the news about Kopriva. Some parents say they don't want their children in Kopriva's classes. Others say the situation could be a learning experience for students because it is part of life. "It's something that's going on in the world," said Chris Carolin, whose son attends the school. "The teacher seems to be effective still. Life is hard enough. If the person is going to be an effective teacher, that's going to be the bottom line. I think the children seem to recognize that, too."

We have just downplayed the whole issue," said Cheryl Schmitz, whose son will be a sophomore this fall. "I guess we'll just deal with it if he brings it up."

Glorida Hachikian, president of the District 115 Association of Parents and Teachers, said, "I don't want to comment on this because it's a personal issue and it's not for us to comment on. My son has worked with this teacher in drama productions, and this wasn't a big issue to him."

Some students joked about Kopriva as word about his plans spread around school, said Adam Romeiser, 17, a senior. "I said some nasty things when I found out about it," Romeiser said. But he said he felt more sympathy toward Kopriva after talking about his condition with his father. "Now I feel bad for him because he has [a disorder]," Romeiser said.

"It's his choice, but I don't agree with it," said Nate Heeren, 17, a senior.

But Witt, who knew Kopriva for all four years of high school through plays she was in, said she respects his decision to change his sex. "The people who know him best totally respect him and his choices," Witt said. "I'm sure there will be some parents who won't want their kids in his classes because of this, but it's such a shame because he's a fantastic teacher."

And now one of Karen **second**'s favorite jokes, as culled from a year's worth of correspondence between us.

BADTIMES!!!

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It will give your ex-boy/girlfriend your new phone number. It will mix antifreeze into your fishtank. It will drink all your beer and leave its socks out on the coffee table when there's company coming over. It will put a dead kitten in the back pocket of your good suit and hide your car keys when you are late for work.

Badtimes will make you fall in love with a penguin. It will give you nightmares about circus midgets. It will pour sugar in your petrol tank and shave off both your eyebrows while dating your current boy/girlfriend behind your back and billing the dinner and hotel room to your Visa card.

It will seduce your grandmother.

It moves your car randomly around parking lots so you can't find it. It will kick your dog. It will leave libidinous messages on your boss's voice mail in your voice! It is insidious and subtle. It is dangerous and terrifying to behold. It is also a rather interesting shade of mauve.

Badtimes will give you Dutch Elm disease. It will leave the toilet seat up. It will make a batch of Methamphetamine in your bathtub and then leave bacon cooking on the stove while it goes out to chase High School kids with your new snowblower.

These are just a few of the signs... Be very careful!

--Karen

Aging Transsexuals

Dr. Anne Vitale recently wrote an article regarding a sudden surge in M2F patients in their late 40s and 50s. Apparently, during the interview process it became apparent that the common denominator among them was internet access and use ... having lived and suffered in ignorance for so many years, a little bit of knowledge came along to dominate their lives.

The gender phenomenon has been a taboo subject for so many years, but is now openly discussed in forums such as this where the dysphoric can "compare notes" and begin the process of determining what can, and should be. Having held this golden nugget of knowledge in one's hands, there may be no way to throw it away. No throw is long enough, nor ocean deep enough to dim it's glow.

Dr. Anne Lawrence reports that the current average age of U.S. M2F surgeries is 44. I rather suspect that during the next decade, the average age will decrease as our current cohort of "Senior Citizens" ages out.

I resemble that remark! Of course, this also will match the pattern of increasing societal age as the Baby Boomer Bulge enter their 50s. An old lady is rocking on her front porch, when all of a sudden a fairy godmother appears in front of her and grants her three wishes. "Well, now," says the old lady, "I would like to be really rich." *** POOF *** her rocking chair turns to solid gold. "And, gee, I guess I wouldn't mind being a young, beautiful princess." *** POOF *** she turns into a beautiful young woman. "Your third wish?" asked the fairy godmother. Just then the old woman's cat wanders across the porch. "Ooh, can you change him into a handsome prince?" she asks. *** POOF *** there before her stands a young man more handsome than anyone could possibly imagine. She stares at him, smitten. With a smile that makes her knees weak, he saunters across the porch and whispers in her ear, "Bet you're sorry you had me neutered."

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♥ to learn --- more about various aspects of transgender lifestyles to help you find the level where you are comfortable. - more about life, living, health and welfare from professional therapists, educators, and facilitators. -basic skills of makeup, graceful, movement, wardrobe, and voice. to escape the stressful world by opening your mind, and body with Tai Chi and other forms of relaxation.- to accept yourself and reach your full potential.

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- Vicky

Full brochures are available at the clubhouse.

On Common law Name and Gender Identity Change

TINA

- 1. Get a letter from your therapist stating your gender dysphoria diagnosis, treatment and resolution including name and gender identity change. This you add to the documentation you've already generated and compiled as a result of living trans-gendered for at least one year. More on this later.
- 2. Go to Social Security with letter from therapist and your portfolio of documentation, fill out their name change form and you're in. When your new card arrives in the mail in about 2 weeks, take the card and letter from your therapist to the Department of Motor Vehicles and get your new license with your new identity.
- 3. Make copies of the new license, Social Security card, and letter from the therapist, and send them to all other agencies (power company, insurance, etc.). Bell Telephone will simply acknowledge your new name and verify your Social Security number.

I chose Common Law for the following reasons:

1. I had already been living in the opposite gender identity predominantly for the past four years, no hormones or counseling. Tina documentation includes the following: 1). Church involvement including board member and musician with checks signed by Tina and appreciation awards. 2). Involvement in A.I.D.S. Care Team Ministry including immunity inoculation forms listing Social Security number and signed Tina. 3). Various programs, listing me as Tina playing music at some function or occasion. 4). Certificate and letter showing that I had just completed a six week Career Readiness Coarse as Tina.

The key here is documentation already establishing your new identity. The whole definition of common law means just go ahead and do it yourself. Sign your new name wherever you can get away with it, but use your real Social Security number if required. Always be honest if any question arises.

Also, I had seen my therapist once. She was already aquainted with me as a transgendered person, and considered one session sufficient.

- Besides all this, I was about to be bumped off Disability, expecting it, and ready to launch a new career, but limited in budget. Common law needs no court action or costs.
- 3. Through Career Readiness I had set my sights on a particular position which required an integrated legal identity with no loose ends. An alternate identity in the past is OK, but current legal identity must be consistent, i.e. driver's license and Social Security card. I haven't changed my birth certificate. That requires court action and so far, only two legal I.D.'s are required.

So far, legal gender identity change is by case law, not legislative law. This means that procedures are established by precedents case by case. Changes in procedure can happen at any time.

Lalso regard myself as a blessed and gifted person being able to live trans-gendered without need of hormones or counseling. We are few and far between.

P.S. - For any TS people Seeking Supreme Court name 7 change, please see me. - Vicky.

Vanessa's Journal

The Italian Market

Summer is here, the time I've been waiting for since the Spring when I bought that pretty summer dress. The hot sunny day was perfect for exploring more of Philadelphia. My light and airy short-sleeve red polka dot dress was accompanied by white handbag, white high heels, off-white pantyhose, and gold earrings, necklace and bracelet.

My first stop was a pharmacy on Main Street in Manyunk, a section of Philadelphia along the Schuylkill River which has experienced a renaissance over the last few years. Shops, restaurants and nightclubs have sprung up, one nightclub, Edge, featuring drag shows on Wednesday nights. I bought cosmetics and a cold drink. Next I drove up the hill to Ridge Ave. in Roxborough to do some shopping at a Shop-Rite. I love potato chips; and whenever I am in the Philadelphia area I stock up on the wide variety of those deadly, greasy, fattening crisps, many of which are made in the nearby Pennsylvania Dutch country.

I took lunch at a Boston Market just a few blocks down the avenue. Then I drove back down to Manyunk to have a little look around. I parked and walked along Main Street and then along a foot path that paralleled the river. I sat on a park bench under the cool shade of a broad maple watching the people meander about. My visit to Manyunk proved expensive as I had failed to load up the parking meter. The ticket maid attacked as soon as I walked away from my car.

Main Street turns into the East River Drive as one heads toward Center City Philadelphia. On the way I stopped at the Philadelphia Museum of Art which is at the beginning of the Drive close to the City. After parking, I changed into skirt and blouse. Outfit No. 2: white blouse, short slim red skirt, sheer white pantyhose, white purse, red mid-height heels. I didn't run up the steps as Rocky did in the movie by that name but preferred instead to take my time ascending to the museum. Turning around at the top of the steps the view of city skyline and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway below was beautifully captivating. I didn't spend much time in the museum as time was fleeting and I had more shopping to do.

That afternoon I did what I had long yearned to do. I retraced steps taken many times before over the years. But those steps never resounded as they did today, nor did my figure and dress reflected in the shop windows then resemble Vanessa's today. It was a new world in an old one. The Italian market, a.k.a. the Ninth Street market, is the place to go for great deals in farm fresh fruit and vegetables and other sundries. My first stop was The Spice Shop, the best values in loose tea on the East Coast. The girls running the store were chatty and friendly. After buying out the store, I strolled past the vendors lining the litter-strewn street carefully avoiding stepping on assorted rotting fruit and vegetables. I bought mangoes, strawberries and asparagas. A Vietnamese vendor, the demographics of the market have shifted a bit over the years, convinced me that I needed a Minnie Mouse T-shirt. In truth, it took some amount of nerve to then make my final purchase. Bruno's World of Cheese has a wide selection of cheeses from around the world including my favorite, extra-aged Gouda. The big wheel, the owner, was there along with what appeared to be his twenty-something-yearold sons, good strong handsome and hearty Italian men. I boldly entered but immediately felt at ease noting that at least one of the men sported an earring. It's a start for the guy, isn't it? While the big boss proprietor waited on me, offering cheese samples, I overheard the sons saying, "It pays to be the boss. The old man gets to wait on her". Heavily ladened with cheese and stuff I walked two blocks to the car, sat, and thought about dinner.

When it comes to dining in the City of Brotherly Love, I'm in a rut, but a rather delightful one after all. Panorama Ristorante in Society Hill is still the best place to relax and dine. I was especially thrilled with the greeting I received that evening upon arriving. With happy smiles, the two lovely hostesses said, *You're back again! It's great to see you!* Tell me a greeting like that doesn't make a girl feel welcome! Even though a private party was going on in the bar, my hostess found a seat for me. I leisurely enjoyed appetizers and wine.

I took the nearby Ben Franklin Bridge to New Jersey getting on the Turnpike at Exit 4. Before entering, I drove to a discount drug store in Cherry Hill for some items: lip stick, lip liner, pantyhose, eyebrow tweezers, and snacks for the road.

Girls, go buy some cheese! Try different outfits! Take in a museum! Dine out!! Have fun!



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Transgenderist's Independence Club (TGIC) is a nonprofit, educational, non-sexual social support group for persons wishing to explore beyond the conventional boundaries of gender, including crossdressers, transsexuals and their friends.

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The article should be part of the body of the e-mail.

Regular Meetings are held every Thursday at the TGIC Club Room on Central Avenue in Albany, 7:30 PM to 10 PM. Some come earlier and stay later, but it is wise to call if you are not a Keyholder or if it is your first visit. Come dressed either way, meet and talk with friends. Many continue to socialize at one of the local night spots after the meetings. ***

CLOSETS AVAILABLE FOR RENT

Two closets in the TGIC Club Room are now available for rent at \$30-\$40 per month, including a key to the room. If you are interested in a closet or becoming a Key Club member (\$10 per month) please call, write, or come to a meeting.

BECOME AN IFGE MEMBER

The International Foundation for Gender Education is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Basic membership is \$25 per year. Subscriptions to Transgender Tapestry are \$40. Brochures and forms are available in the TGIC Club Room. Call or write to:

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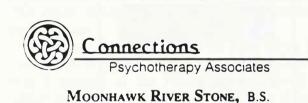
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TGIC On-Line

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Calendar and Events

TGIC meetings are held Thursdays at 7:30 in the clubhouse.

Events of Note

September 12	Twenty Club, Hartford
	Dr. Metzger, SRS surgeon
September 26	Twenty Club, Hartford
PRIDE	
September 19	Miss Pride Pagent,
	Waterworks
September 26	Family Pot Luck
September 27	AIDS Walk 98;
	Cabaret Show, 6-8PM
September 28	Gay Teens Panel;
	Healing Celebration at
	Emmanuel Baptist 7PM
September 29	Religious Holiday
September 30	Community Breaking Fast
	For Yom Kippur
October 1	Awards Banquet with speaker
	Carl McCall
October 2	Golf Tournament;
	Extravaganza with Men Out
	Loud and Michelle Balon at
	the Egg
October 3	One Dance, Dance Of The
	Proud; Under 21 Dance
October 4	Noon March & Rally in
	Washington Park with Kate
	Clinton
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September 30-Oct 4 Southern Comfort	

October 18-25 Fantasia Fair

October 24 TGIC Halloween Party Yours, (6) 7 PM -2 AM

Comments? Vicky E.

All the news that fits.

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