

Salutations Brothers (and Sisters)!

On July 9th, my fiancée and I celebrated our three-year anniversary and also, her birthday, by going out to dinner, and then, to see black, musical-comedy revue from New York, "ONE MO' TIME" at the new Village Gate in Toronto. Then, on Sunday, we spent a few hours at Ontario Place and saw Ella Fitzgerald sing at the Forum. Altogether, it sure was a weekend to remember!

On July 22nd, I attended a free art exhibit put on by my gay friend, Philip Cairns, called "ANDROGYNES FLOURISH AFTER DARK" (coloured drawings, watercolours and sound tape). The artist also read his short stories. After the exhibit, he and I came back to my place for a social drink.

On July 23rd, I hosted an all-male, get-together/rap-social at my apartment for 12 friends (6 of whom are members of the MMRF). I showed the guys some photographs of the phalloplasty--as performed on F-Ms.

On August 20th, I am planning to hold another get-together at my place--this time, all-female (M-Fs) and also, a couple of MTVs and gays.

Have you read the transsexual autobiography, "SECOND SERVE" by Renée Richards (a post-op M-F, formerly known as Dr. Richard Raskin, an ophthalmologist)? It is reviewed in the OUTREACH Newsletter, Spring 1983.

Have you seen any of the following films: "GARP" (featuring a M-F TS in a minor role), "COME BACK TO THE FIVE AND DIME, JIMMY DEAN, JIMMY DEAN" (featuring a M-F TS in a minor role again), "DRESSED TO KILL" (featuring a schizophrenic, supposed M-F TS in the main role), "GLEN or GLENDA" (featuring a MTV in the main role), "THE WOMAN WITHIN" (featuring a M-F TS in the main role), "DR. JEKYLL AND SISTER HYDE" (about a male doctor who chemically changes into a woman), "GIRL/BOY" (about a man's 'fiancee' who might be either a gay male or a M-F TS), "VICTOR/VICTORIA" (featuring a female impersonating a male impersonating a female), and, "TOOTSIE" (featuring a male actor posing as a female actress).

I have had a fair bit of company from, <sup>out-of-town</sup> this summer: Susan Huxford, Executive Director of FACT and of GenderServe, and, Ariadne Kane, Director of the OUTREACH INSTITUTE (June 22nd), C.K., a F-M friend of mine from British Columbia (June 27th-July 3rd), J.B., a F-M friend of mine from Saskatchewan (July 17th), and also, of course, my fiancee--who spends every third weekend with me.

I got my cat, "PATCHES", neutered on July 8th at the Toronto Humane Society but have decided not to get him de-clawed as I now let him roam around outside--in the front and backyards. He is great company!

Keep on sending those TS-related poems (for publication) and those CONFIDENTIAL RESEARCH QUESTIONNAIRES (not for publication) as well as: your LETTERS TO THE EDITOR, PERSONAL PROFILES, answers to QUESTION OF THE MONTH, PROBLEMS/QUESTIONS, articles, newsclippings, personal letters and photographs, etc. All of the above are needed and welcomed!

For my holidays, I am taking off five Fridays and also, the last week of August. Instead of travelling to California, this summer, as I had originally intended to do, I hope to be able to do some work on my forthcoming booklet, "A MANUAL FOR FEMALES-TO-MALES".

Your Brother, Rupert Raj