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ANNUAL PENNSYLVANIA
LESBIAN/GAY CONFERENCE



"OUR SPACE FOR GROWTH"

October 19, 20, 21, 1979

Pittsburgh, Pa.

PRIDE '79 is the annual Pennsylvania Lesbian/Gay conference. (There have been three others - in 1972, 1975 and last year's PRIDE '78) The theme this year is "Our Space For Growth." PRIDE '79 will provide a time to share ideas and talents, to learn about ourselves and others, and to increase our strength as a community. The movement for Lesbian/Gay rights in Pennsylvania is entering its third decade, and while we have achieved much in the past twenty years, the next ten will be crucial to our eventual success. Working together we can all grow. We hope you will be able to join us.

PRIDE '79 promises to be a very active weekend, as the schedule at the right shows. The conference will be held at the Pittsburgh Airport Holiday Inn, in Coraopolis, Pa. (about 45 minutes from downtown Pittsburgh.)

PRIDE '79 is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Lesbian/Gay Support Network with help from groups and individuals all over the state. PLEASE read the brochure carefully before filling out the registration form. If you have any questions, please contact us: **PRIDE '79**, P.O. Box 10741, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15203. Or call your local Hotline/Switchboard.

REGISTRATION FEES

The General Conference Admission is \$15, before October 10th, and \$17 afterwards and at the door. (Checks received after Oct. 10 will be returned.) General Admission includes all meetings and workshops; Saturday evening banquet; entertainment and disco dance (cash bar).

Partial fees: If you wish to attend only selected events, the fees are: \$5 for meetings and workshops; \$10 for Saturday banquet; \$5 for entertainment and dance (\$7.50 at the door).

SPECIAL SERVICES

PRIDE '79 will be providing **child care** and **sign language translation** for the deaf. If you will be using these services, check the appropriate box on the registration form.



MORE INFORMATION ON REVERSE

PRIDE '79 - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY OCTOBER 19th

7 - Midnight REGISTRATION

8:30 - Midnight RECEPTION:

Meet old friends and make new ones. Refreshments & entertainment. Featuring: **PINK DEBBIE** - performing their original Gay/Lesbian/Feminist cabaret act. **OPEN MIKE**: bring your instruments and play for us.

8:30 - 11PM EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

Booths and displays by Lesbian/Gay businesses and groups. Stop by, browse and find out what's going on around the state. EXHIBITS will be open on Saturday from 9AM to 6PM and on Sunday from 9AM to 3PM.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 20th

8 AM REGISTRATION (all day)

8:45 AM KEYNOTE ADDRESSES

Dixie White; Pres. Pa. National Organization for Women
Tony Silvestre; Chair, Pa. Council for Sexual Minorities

9:30 - 12:30 WORKSHOP SERIES I
"Personal Growth"

Drinking Problems in the Community; Outreach to Older Lesbians & Gays; Issues in Parenting; Coming Out: Life in Rural Pa.; Economics of a Relationship; Bisexuality; Racism; Transexuality/Transvestism; Men & Feminism; Sadism & Masochism

12:45 PM PA. COUNCIL FOR SEXUAL MINORITIES - Regular Meeting
Panel Discussion: *Racism, Sexism & Homophobia*

2 - 5:30 PM WORKSHOP SERIES II
"Sister/Brother Space"

FOR WOMEN ONLY: Lesbian Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting; Are We All in This Together - Who is a Politically Correct Lesbian?; Women's Poetry; Women's Music; Lesbian Sexuality/Relationships; Lesbian Health

FOR MEN ONLY: Gay Alcoholics Anonymous Mtg.; Gay Men: On Our Own; Our Cultural Heritage; Gay Men's Literature; Gay Men's Sexuality/Relationships; Gay Men's Health

There will also be a Lesbian/Gay Youth meeting during the Sister/Brother Space Series.

6:45 PM ANNUAL PRIDE BANQUET

Following the banquet will be the introduction of special guests and the presentation of the Pa. Lesbian/Gay Support Network's community service awards.

8:30 PM ENTERTAINMENT

JONI GEYSER: Popular Lesbian/Feminist singer

HANK BARON: Original Folk & modern music

PAT BOND: Famed by her appearance in the film "Word Is Out", Pat will be performing "Conversations with Pat Bond" - a humorous and sometimes poignant commentary on her own life.

10:30 - ?? DISCO DANCE (cash bar)

SUNDAY OCTOBER 21st

9 AM - Noon WORKSHOP SERIES III
"Community Growth"

Youthism & Ageism; Objectives for the 80's; Media; Grassroots Fundraising; Alcoholism and the Community; How to Start a Switchboard; Women's Self Defense; Creative Non-Violent Self Defense; Demonstration Tactics & Political Strategies; Discrimination - On the Job & In the Streets

1:30 - 3:30 PM SUMMARY SESSION

General discussion of the issues raised during the conference. Suggestions for future action.

MEDIA REGISTRATION

Representatives of the media must register upon arrival at the conference. In order to protect the anonymity of all participants, *no photography* will be allowed on the conference site. Media liaisons will be available to assist with special arrangements for interviews or off-conference site photography.

EXHIBITS & BOOTHS

There is a limited amount of space for Lesbian/Gay businesses and organizations to set up booths and displays. If you are interested, check the box on the registration form and an application will be sent to you.

Tables will be available for groups to put out just literature, free of charge.

REGISTER EARLY!!

(be sure to fill out other side)

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NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ APT NO _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

- I would like to help at **PRIDE '79**
- I will need sign language translation
- I will need child care for _____ children, ages: _____
- I will be arriving after 10PM on Friday, Oct. 19, at approximately: _____, and will need transportation from the bus/train station to the conference. (See note under travel information.)
- I/We would like information on booths/displays.

NAME OF GROUP/BUSINESS _____

MAIL THIS COUPON TO: PRIDE '79, P.O. BOX 10741, PITTSBURGH, PA. 15203

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\$ _____

Meetings & Workshops only: \$5

\$ _____

Saturday Banquet: \$10

\$ _____

Entertainment & Disco Dance: \$5 in advance, \$7.50 at the door

\$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:

\$ _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: In order to reserve a room at the Holiday Inn, check the appropriate box below. If you are sharing a room with another person(s), enclose their registration forms with this one.

Please check which nights you will be staying at the hotel: Friday _____, Saturday _____, Sunday _____.

single - one person

double - two people

double - three people

double - four people

extra cot

I would like housing off-site, if possible. (See note under Accommodations on this side of brochure.)

REGISTRATION CONFIRMED ONLY IF FORM IS ACCOMPANIED BY CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: **PRIDE '79**

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ACCOMMODATIONS

All rooms at the Holiday Inn are equipped with the usual amenities: bath, TV, heat/air conditioning. The hotel also has a pool. **ROOM RESERVATIONS** will be made at the same time as you register for the conference. **PAYMENT FOR ROOMS** goes directly to the Holiday Inn. If paying by check, they will need two pieces of identification. Accepted credit cards are: Diners Club, American Express, VISA, Mastercharge and Gulf Travel.

ROOM CHARGES: (add %7 tax to all charges)

Single: 1 person, 1 bed	\$30 a night, per room
Double: 2 people, 2 beds	\$35 a night, per room
Double: 3 people, 2 beds	\$37 a night, per room
Double: 4 people, 2 beds	\$39 a night, per room
Extra cot in room	\$ 5 a night, per room

There will be limited housing spaces available outside the conference site, in Pittsburgh. It will be about a 45 minute drive from this housing to the conference. Priority will be given to the first people to sign up and to those who have to travel the longest distances.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Space has been set aside for those who want to participate in Lesbian/Gay worship services. Though unconfirmed as of publication date, there will probably be a Jewish service on Saturday, and services conducted by MCC, Dignity, and the Friends (Quakers) on Sunday. Other religious groups wishing to hold services should notify the **PRIDE '79** planning committee at: PO Box 4031 Allentown, Pa. 18105, in order to reserve space.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

Each year the Pennsylvania Lesbian/Gay Support Network presents awards recognizing 'exemplary community service', to individuals and groups who have consistently and selflessly served the Penna. Lesbian/Gay community. The recipients are selected by the executive committee of the Network, from nominations submitted by people from around the state.

PENNSYLVANIA LESBIAN/GAY SUPPORT NETWORK

P.O. Box 4031
Allentown, Penna. 18105

TRAVEL INFORMATION

BY AIR: Most major cities have regular air service to Pittsburgh. Call your local airlines for info.

BY BUS: There is bus service from many Pa. cities. Call for schedule and fares.

BY TRAIN: There are trains from eastern Pa. — Allentown, Philadelphia & Lancaster — via Harrisburg & Johnstown to Pittsburgh. Call AMTRAK for information.

FROM BUS & TRAIN STATION IN PITTSBURGH

Walk to William Penn or Hilton Hotels (about 2 blocks) and take Airport Shuttle Bus (\$3.50). At the airport, call the Holiday Inn on their courtesy phone and they will send a van for you.

NOTE: The shuttle does not operate between 10PM and 5AM. If arriving between those hours, check the appropriate box on the registration form, to arrange alternate transportation.

BY CAR (Many organizations will be arranging car pools, call your local groups or switchboard for information.)

FROM PHILADELPHIA AREA: Take Pa. Turnpike, west to exit 6. Follow directions below)

FROM ALLENTOWN/EASTON AREA: Take Interstate 78 & 81 to Pa. Turnpike at Harrisburg, interchange 16; then take Turnpike west to exit 6. **OR:** Take Interstate 80 west to Interstate 79, follow directions for Erie.

FROM SCRANTON/WILKES-BARRE: Take I-80 west to Interstate 79, follow directions for Erie.

FROM WILLIAMSPORT/STATE COLLEGE: Take US 220 to US 22 (near Altoona), Follow 22 west to Interstate 376 (near exit 6 of Turnpike). Follow directions below.

FROM HARRISBURG/SOUTHERN PA: Take Pa. Turnpike west to exit 6. (Follow directions below)

FROM ERIE/NORTHEAST PA: Take Interstate 79, south to Interstate 279. Follow signs to airport, bear right immediately past the airport. Holiday Inn is approximately ½ mile on the left.

FROM EXIT 6 ON TURNPIKE: Take Interstate 376 & 279 (Parkway). Follow signs to airport. Bear right immediately past the Greater Pittsburgh Airport. Holiday Inn is approximately ½ mile on the left.