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THE PENNSYLVANIA RURAL GAY CAUCUS

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The September meeting of the Pa. Rural Gay Caucus will be held in Lancaster at 3002 Marietta Avenue, home of the Gay Switchboard, on Sept. 10, at 1:00 P.M. Agenda items include the Conference, now planned for January rather than October, Candy Sales proposal to amend the by-laws.

Directions to the meetings:

From West of Lancaster- Take the Turnpike to Exit 21, Lancaster/Reading.. Route 222 South to Junction Route 30 West. Route 30 West to Centerville Exit. Turn Right, 3002 Marietta Avenue is the red house just before the traffic light at the corner of Centerville Rd. and Marietta Avenue.

From East of Lancaster-Turnpike to Exit 21, Lancaster/Reading, or, Route 222 South to Junctions Route 30 West, and follow the directions above.

For special instructions call 717-598-2876.

AUGUST MEETING NOTES

The August 6th, 1977 meeting of the Pa. Rural Gay Caucus was held in Union Terrace Park in Allentown. Eleven people attended.

1. At present there is 261 dollars and some odd cents in the Caucus Treasury.

2. Rural Conference: obtaining a suitable site for October has proved a more difficult and time consuming task than originally calculated. Though campsites are still being investigated, we are turning our attention to making arrangements for the conference in Harrisburg. (See below under Conference)

3. Allentown Gay Rights: The Human Relations Commission in Allentown on July 20 passed a resolution (5-3-1) asking City Council to adopt a protective clause for gays into its non-discrimination ordinance. This issue is due to be taken by City Council after elections in the Fall. The controversy rages in the Allentown/Bethlehem Area, mainly through the letters to the Editor columns of the local papers. The issue may eventually come down to a referendum. Local activists will be forming a Gay Rights Coalition to fight the opposition and to educate the ill-informed.

4. The proposed by-laws amendment was tabled because it was felt the Caucus was not well enough represented at the meeting to act on a by-laws matter.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE BYLAWS

According to the By-Laws, a proposed Amendment must appear in the newsletter prior to adoption. The amendment reads "that the deadline for the publication of the Caucus Newsletter be set at 15 days prior to the meeting, and that in the event this deadline cannot be met, that the Co-Chairs be notified and made responsible for seeing to a simple notification by mail of the time and place of the meeting no less than ten days prior to the meeting." If and when the resolution is adopted, a By-Laws Committee must be convened to write the actual language to be used.

The CONFERENCE

The Proposed Conference has been rescheduled for January or February under the joint sponsorship of the Caucus and the Governor's Council on Sexual Minorities (pending formal approval by the latter body. A meeting of the Conference Committee following the Caucus will select the site for the Conference and a few other major decisions.

S E P T E M B E R

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
M.C.C. of Hbg. every 8:00 pm Sun. Service			M.C.C. of Hbg. every 7:30 prayer meeting Wed. 3:00 CR	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 H.O.W. meeting 7:30 pm	9	10 P.R.G.C meeting 1:00 pm Lancaster
11 Gay Switchboard of Hbg. 7:30 pm	12	13	14 ACLU of Hbg. 7:30 pm	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22 H.O.W. meeting 7:30 pm	23	24
25 LE-HI-HO meeting-7:30	26	27	28	29	30	