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THE PENNSYLVANIA RURAL GAY CAUCUS
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THE BIG NEWS this month is that the Conference has finally settled for good at the Howard Johnsons Motor Lodge in Delaware Water Gap. Having been refused by two other hotels in the final stages of negotiations, we have had no choice but to accept their offer, which was made after the story of discrimination by the Americas Hotel and the Genetti Hotels was published in the Allentown Morning Call. Holiday Inn West in Allentown also offered, but their costs, lack of spare rooms for work shops and other factors made it impossible. Also, we must note, a really fine offer from the Millersville State College Gay Awareness group to host the conference, in which community based housing would have to be found. We have felt from the beginning that the usual problems conferences pose were enough without the added burden of finding housing for so many. The Committee is projecting an attendance of about 250 people.

The lodge is beautifully arranged for this conference. The main meeting room breaks down into various sized workshop spaces, the sleeping rooms are immediately adjacent to the meeting room, and there is an indoor heated swimming pool to enjoy.

Finally, the lodge is easily accessible by good roads, and easily found without further instructions than that it is located just off Route 80 (Interstate), from the last exit before the Jersey border.

Last month, obviously, the Caucus was saved by more than a quorum. The body avoided the constitutional crisis it was in by voting unanimously to suspend the rules on nominations and elections, and to defer elections one month later than stated in the by-laws. The officers then elected, will serve 11 month terms, in order to bring us back in line with the constitution.

Those nominated for office were the following:

Co-Chair, Male - Gary Norton, Joe Burns, (Arnold Hutchings, Bruce Grimes)*

Co-Chair, female- Nazy Wanzarow, Linda Galpino, Louiza Zeller

Secretary- Bob Woods, (Dan Haneyal, Sam Deets)*

Treasurer- Al Kester, Sam Deets, Bari Weaver, (Dan Haneyal)*

* persons named in parentheses have declined the nomination for that office.

Nominations will be accepted up until the actual elections. However, people nominated at the next meeting must be present, or prior consent obtained that they will serve if elected, if the nominees are not present. The sole qualification is that a nominee be a voting member of the Caucus at the time he or she is nominated.

The information on the conference (entrance fees, room rates, speakers, workshops) will be sent in a special mailing in early December. Watch for it. And by all means plan to attend. Its going to be a really exciting and especially intimate conference.

The next meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Dec. the 3rd at the
Metropolitan Community Church of Greater Harrisburg
Arnold M. Hutchings, W.C.
1001 North Spring St., Apt. 1-2
Middletown, Pa. 17057
717/944-1574

From anywhere North of Harrisburg:

Take 81-83 South

Take 83 South

Get off 83 South on to 283 bypass (Towards Highspire)

(near Turnpike entrance) follow 283 towards Lancaster, Pa.,

**Take first exit off 283 (Rt. 441 - follow 441 south)

Landmarks on the way - Middletown Area High School on right - then Fry Village ^{on} left

Take next right turn (after the bridge, on the side of the hill - if you see the
cemetery you missed it)

Go to the Yield sign

Take a right into CANEUS MANOR APTS., Building I Apt. 2

From York:

Take 83 North

Take 283 exit

Follow 283 toward Lancaster

Then follow the directions above from **

From Lancaster:

Take 283 towards Harrisburg

Take the second Middletown Exit (not Vine St.)

Go to Stop sign

Take Left - to the next Stop sign

Go forward (you'll find Fry Village on your left on the way)

Next right turn go to Yield Sign (if you see the cemetery on the right you've missed
it)

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P.S.- some of you will find your envelopes resealed with tape - this page was not
included when those were first sealed

D E C E M B E R

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
MCC of gtr Hbg. every Sunday 8:00pm Service			MCC of Hbg every Wed. 8:00-prayer meeting 8:30-CR	1	2	3 P.R.G.C. 1:00pm
4 Hbg. Gay Switchboard 7:30	5	6	7	8 HOW 8:00	9	10
11	12	13	14 LVCCBC 7:30 ACLU. Hbg. 7:30	15	16	17
18 E-HI-HO 7:30	19	20	21	22 HOW 8:00	23	24
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