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"When the autumn weather Turns the leaves to flame, One hasn't got time For the waiting game . . . "

True enough. Buy why wait? Here's your "FALL-IN WITH DIGNITY" calendar, and in it you'll find a lot of the same activities that helped get us all through Spring, Summer and Winter, as well as some brand new ones that we hope win your approval. As always, we've got a little of the fun, a little of the serious, a bit of the sublime and even a tad of the ridiculous. At any rate, it's all here to enjoy, so don't play the waiting game, FALL-IN WITH DIGNITY now!

VOLLEYBALL - If you look forward to Tuesday evenings around 6:30, chances are that you, like many others, have discovered The Joy of Gay Volleyball. (No, that isn't a book, by the way.) We've been at it for a long time now and are still having a grand time. So if you're still watching Mary Tyler Moore reruns and wondering what else is there to do, well here it is! Come on, join us!

WHEN: Tuesday evenings, 6:30 PM
WHERE: PAL Building, 1110 N. Third St., Harrisburg

CALL FOR INFORMATION: John B. (233-8105)

FIRST FRIDAY MASS/NORTH STREET SALE PREVIEW - Fr. Sawdy will celebrate the Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus this evening, the first First Friday of our fall calendar. Following Mass, we'll be treated to a sneak preview of some of that venerable "junque" to be sold on the following day's street sale. Bring some of your treasured trash to the Friends on Friday evening and buy and sell for our organization's benefit. Remember, you've got first pick.

WHEN: Friday, September 5 - Mass 6:30; Street Sale Preview 7:30 WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

CALL FOR INFORMATION: Bob S. (234-8179)

NORTH STREET SALE - A Tiffany lamp? A pair of Chinese Chippendale side chairs? A pewter inkwell in the manner of Charles Rennie Mackintosh? Are these the things you've been looking all over for? Huh? Well, chances are very good that you'll not find them at the North Street Sale. What you will find though are a lot of odds and ends you never thought you needed (but you do) and a chance to provide Dignity with funds it can always use (and it does). And don't forget to bring any of your usable but unwanted items to our stand. See ya there!

WHEN: Saturday, September 6, all day. (Raindate - September 14)
WHERE: North and Green Sts., Harrisburg

CALL FOR INFORMATION: John B. (233-8105)

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

DIGNITY/CP BOARD MEETING - Tonight's meeting of Dignity's Executive Board is, as all others, open to all interested persons.

WHEN: Wednesday, September 10, 7:30 PM

WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

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A DAY AT HERSHEYPARK - We're not letting go of summer that easily. Now that a little of the heat has dissipated and the crowds have thinned a bit, it's our turn to take on Hersheypark. We'll be meeting at the Friend's at about 12:30 and will form a carpool to the park. Admission to Hersheypark is \$9.95, which includes all rides, shows and Zoo America, so take whatever nickels and dimes are left over from vacation and join your friends for this exciting outing.

WHEN: Sunday, September 14, 12:30 PM
WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

CALL FOR INFORMATION: Rich H. (236-1081)

MASS FOR THE GAY COMMUNITY AND POTLUCK SUPPER - Dignity opens its fall season of Sunday Liturgies with its traditional monthly Mass, celebrated by our Chaplain, Fr. Sawdy. We once again begin our famous potluck suppers this evening, starting tonight with an American theme. This means, kiddoes, that you are encouraged to bring some good, old, down home American food. I personally am thinking along the lines of Twinkies a la King, but then again I eat peas with a butter knife. 'Nuf said; see you at supper. And don't be surprised if something special turns up as after dinner entertainment. So here's a hint: We'll have popcorn there to help you enjoy it more.

WHEN: Sunday, September 21; Mass 5:30, Supper 6:30
WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg.

YOUR HOST: Rich H. (236-1081)

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

WOMEN CAMPERS! Today is the deadline to reserve a campsite for the October 10 camping weekend. Refer to the October 10 listing for details.

THE INTERNATIONAL FAIR - Harrisburg's Market Street is again the scene for the 1980 International Fair. This showcase of foods, crafts, arts and entertainment should not be missed.

WHEN: Saturday and Sunday, September 27-28, all day.

WHERE: Market Street, Downtown Harrisburg

WOMEN ALIVE DISCUSSION GROUP - Women Alive, Dignity's women's group, meets this afternoon for its monthly meeting and discussion.

WHEN: Sunday, September 28, 2:30 PM WHERE: Home of Joanne G.

CALL FOR INFORMATION/DIRECTIONS: Joanne G. (766-0819)

D/CP SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING - Dignity's Social Committee, which is responsible in large part for the activities in this and the other seasonal calendars, meets this evening, as it does on the fourth Sunday of every month. If you are interested in joining this committee, seeing how it operates first-hand or in putting in your own two cent's worth, then you are welcome to attend.

WHEN: Sunday, September 28, 7:30 PM

WHERE: Location Varies. Call below for location.

CALL FOR INFORMATION: Rich H. (236-1081)



ATTENTION! CR FOR MEN - Beginning this evening and continuing weekly for eight sessions, Dignity will sponsor a men's Consciousness Raising Group. The group is aimed at those who wish to discuss in some depth selected issues and concerns of gay life and who have not previously had an opportunity to do so. Topics to be discussed include: developing a positive gay identity, the gay world, growth for gay couples, and growing old, among others. The group will be limited in size to 12 participants, each of whom will be expected to commit himself to attending the entire series of discussions. Short readings will be required for each session, including the first, from the text to be used, Positively Gay, edited by Berzon and Leighton and available from Fr. Sawdy for \$4.95. Bob S. and Jerry B. will serve as group facilitators.

WHEN: Monday Evenings, September 29 through November 17, 7:30-9:30 WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg CALL FOR INFORMATION/REGISTRATION: Bob S. (234-8179)

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VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

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NON-WOTERS, TAKE NOTE! Like it or not, our vote is virtually the only means we have of making our needs, desires and preferences known to those who can effect change. And if you are not a registered voter, even this avenue is closed to you. Today is the last day to register in order to vote in the November elections. Your vote does count, now more than ever! So get out and register, then get out and vote!

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FIRST FRIDAY MASS - This is an important weekend for Harrisburg's gay community and this evening's Mass may just be the best way to begin it.

WHEN: Friday October 3 6:30 PM

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WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

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PRIDE '80 - UNITY IN DIVERSITY - The Pennsylvania Lesbian/Gay Support Network begins its annual conference tonight right here in Harrisburg. The three-day conference will feature workshops, entertainment, a film festival and banquet, and Dignity/CP will be hosting a hospitality room for all participants on Friday evening. That this year's conference is being held right in our back yard provides us with a rare opportunity to learn, to broaden our horizons and to share in the friendship and support of our brothers and sisters. Be sure to attend!

WHEN: Friday, October 3 through Sunday, October 5
WHERE: Holiday Inn, 2nd & Chestnut Sts., Harrisburg
CALL FOR INFORMATION: Gay Switchboard (234-0328) or
Jerry B. (232-2027)

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PRIDE '80 - MASS FOR THE GAY COMMUNITY - Fr. Sawdy will celebrate Mass today for Dignity and the participants in Pride '80. Join gay brothers and sisters from all over the state in this celebration of the Eucharist.

WHEN: Sunday, October 5, 9:00 AM
WHERE: Holiday Inn, Harrisburg (Room location will be posted in the hotel)

CALL FOR INFORMATION: Fr. Sawdy (238-5380)

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LOVERS OF GOOD FOOD . . . - Today is the last day to make reservations for the October 12 brunch at Hotel Hershey. If you intend to go, and haven't called yet, DO IT! Refer to the October 12 listing for details.

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MEN'S CR GROUP- Refer to Monday, September 29 for details.

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VOLLEYBALL AND PIZZA NIGHT - After two enormously successful, enjoyable and tasty pizza nights last Summer, the thought of a whole season passing without another one was . . . well, unthinkable. So after considerable thought and preparation (at least 30 seconds worth) we decided that tonight's the night.

WHEN: Tuesday, October 7 - Volleyball 6:30; Pizza 9:00 WHERE: Volleyball: PAL Bldg., N. Third St., Harrisburg Pizza: La Rose Rouge, 2nd & South Sts., Harrisburg

CALL FOR INFORMATION: Steve L. (232-6517)

WOMEN'S CAMP-OUT WEEKEND - Dignity women will be sponsoring a camp-out for women this weekend at Colonel's Creek. If you've never roughed it before, this might be just the experience for you. Campfires, togetherness, talk, smores and more are all a part of a camping weekend and this one is no exception. Fees for the area are \$7.50 for a motorhome site and \$5.00 for a tent site. Also, tenting equipment can be provided for those who need it.

Reservations must be made by September 25.

WHEN: Friday, October 10 through Sunday, October 13

WHERE: Colonel's Creek

CALL FOR INFORMATION/RESERVATIONS: Joanne G. (766-0819)

BRUNCH AT HOTEL HERSHEY - It may not be Stompin' at the Savoy or Waltzing at the Ritz but around here brunch at the Hotel Hershey is the next best thing. We'll be dining amidst the classic elegance of the Hotel Dining Room which overlooks the lovely grounds surrounding the hotel. And the food is terrific! Yet it all costs only \$8.50 per person, including tax and gratuities. Not bad at all. Be sure to make your reservations early by calling the number below.

WHEN: Sunday, October 12, 1:30 PM WHERE: Hotel Hershey, Hershey, PA CALL FOR INFORMATION/RESERVATIONS:

Steve L. (232-6517)

MEN'S CR GROUP - Refer to Monday, September 29 for details.

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

DIGNITY/CP BOARD MEETING - Dignity's Executive Board meets tonight to discuss a variety of issues, including planning for the winter calendar. All interested persons may attend.

Wednesday, October 15, 7:30 PM

WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

MASS, POTLUCK, AND ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Tonight's monthly Mass for the gay community will be followed by our Octoberfest Potluck Supper. Take the fruits of your harvest and whip them up into something really special, or at least edible. Following dinner the annual membership meeting, featuring election of officers, will be held. This event is always one of our most well attended; if you've been reticent about attending Mass and/or a potluck, tonight's is a great one with which to begin.

WHEN: Sunday, October 19 - Mass 5:00, Supper 6:30, Annual Meeting 8:00

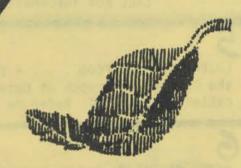
WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

YOUR HOST: Steve L. (232-6517)

MEN'S CR GROUP - Refer to Monday, September 29 for details.



VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

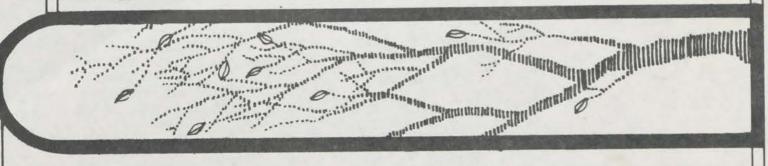


WOMEN ALIVE DISCUSSION GROUP - Refer to Sunday, September 28 for details.

D/CP SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING - Refer to Sunday, September 28 for details.

MEN'S CR GROUP - Refer to Monday, September 29 for details.

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.



THE FIRST (we won't say annual) DIGNITY/CP HALLOWEEN PARTY - That's right, boys and girls, a real, live Halloween party, and right on Halloween night, how about that? Of course, you're wondering whether you'll have to wear a costume, right? Well, a costume would be terrific, and you're greatly encouraged to wear one, but if you don't, why not do something a little different anyway. Wear your pants backwards, rub Vaseline into your hair, cross your eyes, you know. About the only things we'd rather not see are those sleazo rayon jobs from Woolworth's that say "Fairy Princess" or "Prom Queen" or something. But, then again, if that's all you've got, by all means wear it. Remember, anything goes (almost). By the way, the party will be BYOB.

WHEN: Friday, October 31, 8:30 PM WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg CALL FOR INFORMATION: John F. (652-6570)

MEN'S CR GROUP - Refer to Monday, September 29 for details.

ELECTION DAY - V - O - T - E ! ! !

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

FIRST FRIDAY MASS - Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be celebrated this evening as part of the continuing series of First Friday Liturgies. WHEN: Friday, November 7, 6:30 PM WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

Fr. Sawdy (238-5380) CALL FOR INFORMATION:

A KIRKENWALD OVERNIGHTER - The lovely, wooded Central Pennsylvania camp area known as Kirkenwald will be our locale for a two-day weekend vacation. We'll be staying in the cottages on the grounds, so it will not be necessary to bring tents, etc., although you will need bed linens, towels, blankets and personal items. Also, there are facilities for food preparation so we have planned to have our meals potluck. You may bring items already prepared or just bring the ingredients and cook there. We'll be sharing Saturday lunch and dinner and Sunday breakfast, so bring whatever you like. Some activities will be planned but for the most part this should be an informal, relaxed Fall weekend. Come and enjoy.

WHEN: Saturday and Sunday, November 8-9

WHERE: Kirkenwald

CALL FOR INFORMATION: John B. (233-8105)

MEN'S CR GROUP - Refer to Monday, September 29 for details.

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

DIGNITY/CP BOARD MEETING - Dignity's Executive Board invites all interested persons to attend its meeting this evening.

WHEN: Wednesday, November 12, 7:30 PM
WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg

MASS FOR THE GAY COMMUNITY AND POTLUCK SUPPER - Tonight's Mass and supper will be followed by a discussion led by members of the newly-formed Men's Consciousness Raising Group. Their experiences and insights should prove to be of value equally to those of us who did not participate in the group, as well as to those of us who did. Come to listen and learn.

Sunday, November 16 - Mass 5:30; Dinner 6:30 WHEN: WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg CALL FOR INFORMATION: Bob S. (234-8179)

MEN'S CR GROUP - FINAL SESSION - Refer to Monday, September 29 for details.

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

WOMEN ALIVE DISCUSSION GROUP - Refer to Sunday, September 28 for details.

D/CP SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING - Refer to Sunday, September 28 for details.

VOLLEYBALL - Refer to Tuesday, September 2 for details.

A THANKSGIVING DAY MASS AND DINNER - After the parades and the football games, why not give thanks with the Dignity family by attending Mass and/or a traditional Thanksgiving feast? We'll provide the turkey (a big one, to be sure) if you'll provide the trimmings. Thanksgiving is truly a family holiday, so if you've already spent the day with your family, or if your loved ones are far away, then join your friends, the Dignity family, for this celebration.

WHEN: Thursday, November 27 - Mass 5:00; Dinner 6:30 WHERE: Friend's Meeting House, 6th & Herr Sts., Harrisburg CALL FOR INFORMATION: Rich H. (236-1081)

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