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CONGRATULATIONS TO

PAKELA
MISS ETVC 1987

and the ladies of her court

KIM
First Runner Up

JOANNE L.
Second Runner Up

Our December Cotillion and Miss ETVC Contest at the Rathskellar was a smashing success, resulting in a beautiful new Miss ETVC, Pakela, pictured above receiving her scepter from Barbara, Miss ETVC 1986. For a backstage view of this gala occasion, be sure to read Kim's article on page Six.

Jennifer C. reports on our exciting January ETVC event -- Herman's Makeover Session -- on page Five.



The View From the Chair

KIM'S KORNER

THE WEALTH OF E.T.V.C.

Some organizations measure their wealth by counting their treasury. At ETVC, the real wealth of the group is in the diversity, the energy and the cooperative spirit of our members.

The vast variety of jobs held by ETVC members can be a real treasure trove for all of us to harvest. Members of ETVC work as computer engineers, in electronics, they encompass all the services, from hairdressing to printing to accounting, and much more. One idea suggested to the Outreach Committee is an Economic Skills Bank, through which our members can offer their professional services to ETVC members and friends. The wealth of information and skills performed by our membership is staggering. By working together we can all benefit. I would like to hear from any member who may have ideas about how to develop our wealth or utilize our fantastic resources. Please write to us -- ETVC, P. O. Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101, or let any officer of ETVC hear your ideas at an upcoming social.

With the elections coming up in May, and officer nominations in April, I hope many of our talented members will be in the running for Coordinator, Secretary, Treasurer and Outreach or Social Chairpersons.

Let's really put the wealth of ETVC to work keeping ETVC the best gender group in the West!!



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Parties,
Meetings &
Social Events

NEXT SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL BE ON:

TUESDAY, MARCH 10
and
TUESDAY, APRIL 14

CHECK WITH SHEILA OR VANESSA FOR DETAILS!!

Thursday, March 26 -- A Foreign Affair

March winds bring fantasies of foreign affairs to Chez Mollet ... the thrill of a "World of Fashion" opens up for your expression as you choose the traditional attire of your own nationality or the costume of a country that has always fascinated you!

ETVC's photographer, Davida, will take individual photos of anyone dressed in the theme, and ETVC will present an 8x10 enlargement to you for you to cherish.

Let's see ... a little Dutch girl ... a flamenco dancer ... maybe a Bavarian peasant girl ... or a French chanteuse ... or even English royalty ... just how intriguing will you be??

The social begins at 8 PM .. party fees are \$3 for members, \$5 for guests.

Thursday, April 30 -- The ETVC Talent Show!

Step out of a dream on our Chez Mollet stage to entertain, dazzle or confound the ETVC audience. Play your musical instruments, sing your favorite tune, or make us laugh with your comedy routine at The ETVC Talent Show on April 30th. Lip synchs and air-guitars are welcome, and prizes go to the top three performers.

If you want to participate in the Talent Show, contact Shiela (415) 345-8752 or Vanessa (415) 570-5161.

Showtime is 8 PM, with party fees \$5 for members, \$8 for guests.

Talk to us --- Give us a sign ---

Okay, gals ... since last July we've been trying to give you a second night out at Chez Mollet during the month with a dinner social on our calendar ... we were hoping this would build to a successful monthly event, but attendance has not grown, so we're not sure if this is the way to go.

We've reserved the Chez Mollet again for Saturday night, March 14th and also Saturday night, April 11th. Tell us you want the mid-month dinner social to continue by calling (415) 585-5204 now with your reservation. If you think a different night or some other kind of mid-month event would be more appealing, talk to us and let us know what you want --- and we'll try to make it happen!







TV/TS/TG GROUPS & ACTIVITIES

A CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| DATE | WHO | WHAT | WHERE | OTHER INFORMATION |
|----------------------|---------|----------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| FEBRUARY 1987 | | | | |
| 26 | ETVC | February Social | San Francisco | 415-345-8752 |
| 28 | ETVC | Executive Meeting | San Jose | 408-243-3919 |
| MARCH 1987 | | | | |
| 3 | ETVC | Outreach Committee | Redwood City | 415-367-0986 |
| 3 | ETVC | Significant Others Support | San Jose | 415-585-5204 |
| 4 | IFGE | Coming Together | Chicago | 415-585-5204 |
| 5 | GIA | TG Support | San Francisco | 415-467-5285 |
| 6 | RGAs | Social | San Jose | 408-256-2599 |
| 10 | Pac Ctr | TS Support | Berkeley | 415-841-6224 |
| 11 | Pac Ctr | Open Rap | Berkeley | 415-841-6224 |
| 12 | GIA | TG Support | San Francisco | 415-467-5285 |
| 13 | ETVC | Poker Social | San Francisco | 415-585-5204 |
| 14 | ETVC | Dinner Social | San Francisco | 415-585-5204 |
| 10 | ETVC | Social Committee | San Mateo | 415-345-8752 |
| 17 | Pac Ctr | TS Support | Berkeley | 415-841-6224 |
| 18 | Pac Ctr | Open Rap | Berkeley | 415-841-6224 |
| 19 | ETVC | Couples Social | Foster City | 415-585-5204 |
| 20 | RGAs | Social | San Jose | 408-256-2599 |
| 24 | Pac Ctr | TS Support | Berkeley | 415-841-6224 |
| 26 | ETVC | March Social | San Francisco | 415-345-8752 |
| 26 | GIA | TG Support | San Francisco | 415-467-5285 |
| 28 | SGA | Social | Sacramento | 916-372-5451 or 916-371-8491 |
| 31 | Pac Ctr | TS Support | Berkeley | 415-841-6224 |
| APRIL 1987 | | | | |
| 2 | GIA | TG Support | San Francisco | 415-467-5285 |
| 3 | RGAs | Social | San Jose | 408-256-2599 |
| 4 | ETVC | Executive Committee | San Francisco | 408-243-3919 |
| 7 | ETVC | Outreach Meeting | Redwood City | 415-367-0986 |
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| 25 | SGA | Social | Sacramento | 916-372-5451 or 916-371-8491 |
| 30 | ETVC | April Social | San Francisco | 415-345-8752 |

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Reaching Out



I have started to revise the ETVC Tip sheets, there are a few places that have closed and, I hope, there are a lot more that you've discovered in your shopping travels. If you've found a store or service that is helpful or supporting to the gender community, please, send in as much information as you can using the form on this page. If you can include a business card that will help insure accurate information. Also, please include your own comments.

The club listing has been updated once again, in preparation for the mailing of our TS pamphlet to all the clubs listed. If you would like a copy of this 17 page listing of 124 clubs around the world, send \$2.00 with your name and address to ETVC.

help. If you'd like to join in this effort please contact me. If your wondering what you can do, here are just some of the skills we can make use of: writing, to other clubs, articles for other newsletters and magazines, and correspondence with people writing for information, updating the Tip Sheets, looking for new means to reach people, and speaking to people interested in the gender community. This is an excellent area for those of you who can't get to the regular meetings to get involved with your club. Help make ETVC a better group for all of us, it's very rewarding. Write or call if you would like to help out.

Gloria

There is always more to be done and every bit will

**Next Outreach Meetings are: March 3rd and April 7.
Call Gloria for more information.**

ETVC TIP SHEET INFORMATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ Hours _____

Information (Products, services, etc.) _____

Comments _____

Mail to ETVC, PO Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101

An Afternoon with Herman

January 10th, 1987 will go down in my diary as a red letter day. Why, you may ask? Well, for two reasons, the least of which is because that was the first day of 1987 that Jennifer was able to venture forth. But, the most important reason was because she was able to meet the legendary Herman, and as a result, she has never looked so good in all her life.

When Herman started his Make-Over demonstrations shortly after 2:00PM, there were about six to eight girls in attendance. As he patiently explained each detail of preparation and application and then demonstrated his techniques upon Gloria, we tried our best to follow along and apply the same techniques upon ourselves. Of course, some were better than others, but we all did our best and learned a great deal. It was marvelous to watch Gloria as she became more beautiful by the minute. And when Herman was finished, she was very stunning indeed. He then did the same magic upon Jennifer, and by this time there were well over 15 girls busily following along.

For the price of a mere \$10.00, we were able to sit with the master and learned how to prepare our face for a good make-up job, how to effectively hide the remnants of our beards, how to give ourselves a facelift for pennies, and how to highlight and deminish selected facial features to help our own natural beauty shine forth. We also learned techniques of wig styling.

After the Make-Over session, there was a wig auction, with Ginny acting as auctioneer. Those lucky enough to make the last bid were able to have their new purchases styled for them by Herman. There were a lot of lucky girls this day.

I, for one, want to express my deepest gratitude to Herman for donating his time and talents by helping us come closer to our feminine ideal. And, I thank the leadership of ETVC for organizing this activity. A special thanks to Lenny Mollet who so kindly donated the use of his facilities for this fund raiser. And last, but not least, thanks to all of my sisters who came and helped make this activity a success by your participation and support. Thanks to all, we were able to donate over \$700.00 to the San Francisco AIDS Foundation. Hey, Kim! When are we going to do this again?

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



Chicago's Chi Chapter members recently appeared with their spouses on the nationally syndicated Sally Jesse Raphael Show. The program was to have been a TV fashion show but, the producers decided to focus on the TV/Significant Other relationships, a much deeper subject.

The Tiffany Club in Massachusetts has been working overtime. Besides organizing the IFGE convention this March, they have also produced another issue of the TV-TS Tapestry magazine, this time with a full color cover and over 130 pages. In their spare time they have had to deal with real estate problems involved in selling their house and looking for a new center for their club.

The TV/TS support group in England has also moved into a new facility and with the work and money of their supporting members have the site open and running for their weekly weekend meetings.

In Portland the Emerald City club has won a suit against a motel which evicted them. The motel must pay a fine and provide equal housing opportunity regardless of sexual orientation. We do have rights and must assert them, through legal action if necessary.

A new club is forming in Nevada, the Transition Club can be reached by writing to Transition Club, PO Box 42454, Las Vegas, NV 89116. If you plan to be in Vegas, you might drop "TC", the founder, a letter.

All the clubs around the country are taking an active role in the gender community. We are all trying to do our part to find TV and TS sisters who are still in the closet and to help those who have come to our groups for support enjoy the life that they have and shed any guilt associated. Hopefully the international convention in Chicago this March will unite the gender community in our efforts to educate everyone and give us true freedom to express ourselves.

Miss ETVC Cotillion
A Backstage View
by Kim

Once I decided to enter the Miss ETVC competition, I had lots of fun finding a formal, and then I had to start practicing for my talent presentation. I decided to lip synch my favorite song, "I Enjoy Being A Girl". With one practice rehearsal behind us, it was on to December 13th for the Cotillion. I arrived at 10:00 AM for the final rehearsal, and we all went through our staging and learned what would happen later that night. After lunch, I returned to the Rathskellar and got ready there for the evening. I spent a long time getting my makeup just right and my gown just so. All the contestants went through interviews with the four judges, and I tried to remember all the things I've done for ETVC and what each judge might like to hear.

At 9:15 PM, the contestants were introduced. I tried to remember which way to turn and my staging directions. Then it was backstage to get ready for the talent competition. I got lots of help changing from my formal into my frilly dress, all the while Joanna Caron, our MC, kept the contestants loose with a stream of one-liners and jokes. During my talent portion I keep thinking, "I should have practiced more", but the talent part is really fun... once it's over!

Next it's time to change back into my formal, but due to my woman's prerogative, I opt to keep my short wig on, so another contestant fixes my hairstyle. It's time for the five finalists now -- Oh, WOW I'm one of them! I think I do well on the question, and it's envelope time. I hear second runner-up, Joanne L. (applause), then first runner up ... my name -- Kim -- is announced! I'm happy and numb all at once.

Would I do it again?? YOU BET!!
The cooperation, the thrill and the excitement make the Miss ETVC Cotillion a great event to take part in!

SIGNIFICANT OTHERS SUPPORT GROUP
IS TWO YEARS OLD!

The April meeting of our SOS group will begin the third year for our significant others to meet and help and learn from each other. This group has grown to include over thirty significant others who have shared their insights and their concerns about living day by day in the transvestite-transsexual lifestyle.

If your significant other would like to meet and rap with some really special people, we suggest you encourage them to attend an SOS meeting on the first Tuesday of every month. Call Lyn at 570-5161 for information and directions.

SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Is there anyone out there who would like to help plan upcoming ETVC special projects, such as our Gay Freedom Day float and booth ... or the next Miss ETVC Cotillion? This is a new sub-committee of the Social Committee. If you can help, contact Susan at a social or write POB 6486, SF 94101.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

ETVC's bank balance is \$1630, and we have 220 members (an all-time high) compared to 187 at the same time last year.

WITH THANKS AND LOVE, KARIN

Our Newsletter Editor, Karin, has resigned in order to pursue other tasks, interests and opportunities. Thanks, Karin, for all the hard work and devotion you have given us to maintain the high standards of our quality newsletter. We will miss your style, grace and humor.

If anyone would like to work on the newsletter, please contact Ginny or Kim at a social, or call 415-585-5204.

Our thanks this month to our contributors, Gloria, Kim, Jennifer C., Dianne L, Sheila, Cathy C., Davida, and to our Newsletter Committee, Susan, Nancy Ann, Vanessa and Lyn. We just couldn't do it without you!

ORGANIZATION NOTES

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Regularly scheduled socials, special interest groups, and committee activities serve the needs of members and provide opportunities for member activities in ETVC. A five-person Executive Board sets the major direction for ETVC. The Education & Outreach Committee develops and delivers public and internal programs to promote gender choice. The Social Committee develops social themes and handles event logistics. Our programs depend on member participation to create and administer them. We solicit your ideas and active assistance in making all this possible.

A monthly social meeting is held on the last Thursday of each month at the Chez Mollet Restaurant, 527 Bryant Street (between 3rd and 4th), San Francisco. While there is usually a "theme," participation is optional, as there is no particular dress code. No-host cocktails and dining facilities are available. Dinners are served until 10 PM. If you plan to have dinner, please phone the Chez Mollet at 415-495-4527 for table reservations.

Other events include a monthly Saturday evening dinner, and a Poker Social on the second Friday of each month. Anyone who is in a relationship with a gender-challenged person will find helpful support in an active Significant Others Support (SOS) Group, and a Couples Social Group, both of which meet monthly.

All events are listed on the Calendar of Events on Page 3. Specific details on immediate events can be found on Page 2. For further information, please use the phone numbers listed on the calendar, or make inquiries at any ETVC social.

Other San Francisco Bay Area Gender Support Groups

ETVC provides this information as a service to the gender community, and does not judge the merit or quality of the programs. Current information is based on the most recent information available. Please check the Calendar of Events (Page 3) for current schedules and reference phone numbers.

Gender Identity Anonymous (GIA) is a non-judgemental transgender support group. It meets each Thursday at 8 PM in the Science of Mind Room, 3255 Balboa Street (at 34th Avenue), San Francisco.

The Pacific Center for Human Growth, a counseling-oriented growth center, sponsors drop-in support groups for transsexuals each Tuesday at 8:00 PM. All-inclusive gender support groups meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, and last Friday of the month at 8:00 PM. The Center is located at 2712 Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley.

The Rainbow Gender Association (RGA), formerly the San Jose GGA, meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month at 8:00 PM at the New Community of Faith Church, 6350 Rainbow Drive, San Jose. RGA can also be contacted by writing: Rainbow Gender Association, POB 700730, San Jose, CA 95170.

Other organizations with on-going programs and services are located outside of the immediate San Francisco Bay Area. For a current list, send \$2.00 and a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Outreach Committee, c/o ETVC, PO Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101.

MEMBERSHIP IN ETVC

Membership in ETVC entitles you to:

- o a membership card for positive ETVC identification;
- o reduced admission to ETVC events;
- o a free subscription to the ETVC Newsletter;
- o reduced rates for other ETVC publications and services;
- o participation rights as a candidate and/or voter in ETVC elections;
- o participation rights in ETVC Executive Committee meetings;
- o the support and strength of the best gender community on the West Coast!

Membership records are held in strict confidence by ETVC. Membership cards must be shown upon entry at ETVC socials, or non-member admissions will be applied.

MAIL-IN MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Please print!

MAILING NAME: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

ZIP: _____

PREFERRED NAME: _____

Please remit \$5.00 by check or money order to: ETVC, PO Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101

ADVERTISEMENTS

ETVC sells advertising space at the rate of \$10/business card-size ad per issue; \$50 for same per year. If you would like to advertise here, just send us your business card or camera-ready ad copy, along with a check for the appropriate amount, to:

ETVC, P.O. Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101

Deadlines are the first weekend of the month of publication (June, August, October, December, February & April). Information on rates and terms for ads larger than business card size is available by writing to us at our P.O. Box address above.

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P.O. Box 782, Moss Beach, CA 94038 415 728 3553 (25 miles S. of San Francisco, on Hwy. 1. Insurance may pay for your treatment.)

HERMAN/Unger



Did you advertise for an experienced salesman in ladies underwear?

PERSONAL AD

If you are interested in joining a Girdle and Corset Club for men and women, please call Mary, 415-495-3193 weekday afternoons. Okay to leave a message.

PERSONAL ADS

ETVC will accept personal ads from ETVC members at the rate of \$1 per 3 lines. We will not accept ads with a purely sexual objective. Send ad copy and a check for the appropriate amount to:

ETVC, P.O. Box 6486, San Francisco, CA 94101.

Deadlines are the first weekend of the month of publication (June; August, October, December, February & April). Information on rates and terms for ads other than the standard size is available on written request to our P.O. Box address above.

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J2CP Information Services provides an information package consisting of pamphlets and literature concerning gender dysphoria syndrome, transsexualism and transvestism. This information package is available at a cost of \$25.00 to cover research, printing, postage and secretarial services. Additionally, J2CP Information Services will attempt to provide referrals to reputable counselors, psychotherapists, or gender programs, and peer groups near your home.

Certified checks or Money Orders should be made payable to J2CP Information Services. Please specify whether you are male-to-female, female-to-male, or transvestite when writing. If transsexual, please provide your place of birth.