

REGIONAL EDITION

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THE JULY MEETING

For our last meeting we were again "back in the motel," but this time it was a minor disaster. We had a guaranteed reservation for our usual two-room suite on the ground floor, based upon a cash deposit, but when it came time to open the room the motel refused to honor the reservation! They said it was "not their policy" to take reservations for particular rooms (although they did, and were very happy to accept our deposit). The only available rooms were two adjoining bedrooms with a connecting door. Since it was impossible to change our location at the last minute, we were stuck. Your Editor was very displeased with the attitude of the motel management, and told them so, and suggest that the Chapter think very long and hard before returning to that particular motel again.

Even though our accommodations were not of the best, we were glad to have the following attend the meeting: Mitzi IL-8-C, Donna IL-11-S, Billie IL-18-H, Deanna IL-35-G, Kay IL-44-N, Lois WI-13-V, and Rughann WI-14-L.

The special program for the evening was a special repeat showing of the DREAM slide show. This presentation highlighted the events of previous DREAMS: Luxurious, spacious condominium suites overlooking the roaring surf of the blue Pacific on the Oregon coast Professional instruction in the Art of Feminity by the talented staff of a nationally recognized fashion and modeling school . . . Very special social events, including the Sugar 'N' Spice Banquet and graduation night's Pink Banquet, held at one of the areas finest ocean resorts . . . Hair stylists and makeup artists to serve your special needs with their expertise . . . A Wig Salon and a Fashion Boutique, direct from leading shops . . . A special welcome to, and full participation in, DREAM activities for the real girsl (GG's) in your life . . . and, best of all, dressing in your favorite feminine apparal for five continuous days and nights. Marilyn has written that full information on DREAM '78 will be in the mail shortly; if you are not on their mailing list, drop them a line so you will receive full details as soon as available - DREAM (Box 58), 507 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98104. Jeanette, Donna, and GG Dee attended DREAM last year, and had a wonderful time! Think about it now, and plan on going in '78. It will be here quicker than you think.

THE MISSING (AUGUST) MEETING

At the June meeting, those present voted to tentatively hold a meeting in August subject to reconsideration at our July meeting. In July, it was found that most of our members would be on vacation or otherwise unavailable during August, so the meeting for last month was cancelled. This follows our practice of the past few years of not meeting during the month of August. Since the meeting was only tentative, as announced in the last newsletter, a special cancellation notice was not mailed to Chapter members in the interests of saving postage. We hope that you enjoyed your vacation, wherever you were, and that we'll see you this month.

OUR AILING BETTY ANN

Just before the July meeting, your Editor received a letter from Betty Ann that she had entered the hospital for surgery. She had an operation on June 27th, and let us know that while everything was now O.K. she would not be able to ride in or drive a car for at least six weeks. Mitzi stopped by to see her, and says that Betty Ann is feeling fine. We look forward to seeing her back with us this month.

THE SEPTEMBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, September 17th, which is the third Saturday of the month. Please note that this is a change from the tentative date of the fourth Saturday.

Our special guest for this meeting will be Carol Beecroft, from "National Headquarters." She has written that she will be flying from L.A. to New York on September 14th on a charter flight, then making a special return trip to Chicago the following weekend. Although this special trip will cost Carol about \$300.00 in extra out-of-pocket expense, she says it will be worth it because she really wants to meet us, and get to know us. Let's show Carol that we appreciate her extra effort, and have a good turn-out!

Meg and Cheryl have offered their home for this special meeting, giving us the opportunity to chat with Carol in a more relaxed and hospitable atmosphere. Directions for locating their home will be found elsewhere in this newsletter, for Chapter members, and Meg and Cheryl will be expecting you anytime after 7:00 P.M. Since we expect a large group for this meeting, please return your postcard promptly so we will know how many to plan for. As usual, your GG is more than welcome, so why not ask her along?

Some of our Regional members have indicated that they would like to attend our September meeting, to meet Carol and the membership of CHI Chapter. The Chapter extends a most cordial invitation to our Regional members to attend our meeting this month; if you plan on being in Chicago on the 17th, please drop a note to Donna Martin immediately so you can be sent directions on how to get to Cheryl's home.

NU PI (NIAGARA FRONTIER) CHAPTER

Well, we had our last meeting on June 16th. It was held at our new location, at the cottage in Ft. Erie, Ontario. The cottage is ideal for meetings, and especially for parties. There are three bedrooms, small but adequate, for changing. Also a large living room, dining room, a fully equipped kitchen, bathroom with shower, and a nice fully enclosed porch in back. Unfortunately, we will not be able to use the cottage in July as no convenient meeting date could be arrived at. All of the girls, including myself, will be on vacation sometime in July.

We had four girls at the June meeting: Franny NY-19-F, Jennifer FCO-13-B, Joan FCO-14-S, and Muriel NY-26-W. Unfortunately, Joan had a relapse of a virus from the previous weekend, and had to leave the meeting early. We all hope she is feeling better now. The star of the evening was Muriel. I met Muriel at a motel near her home, and we went to the meeting in my station wagon. Muriel was dressed, but I traveled as my brother Frank; my only fear was that one of my friends would see us and think I was cheating on my wife! No one would ever have read Muriel, and we had no problems at all at either the U.S. or the Canadian Customs. (There is no way that I can leave my home as "Franny," and I am still a little chicken about braving the Customs check while dressed). We all had a wonderful time at the meeting, and hated to see it come to an end.

There is a possibility of a meeting for the girls living far south or west of Buffalo. A committee is working on this, for either August or September. We hope to have it at a motel either in Dunkirk, N.Y. or Erie, Pa. Both Roberta PA-16-J and Gladys PA-1-M have expressed interest in our proposed meeting, and have also indicated interest in joining a Chapter in the Pittsburgh area if one is formed. If we meet in Erie we will try to get something organized for the Cleveland-Youngstown-Pittsburgh area; perhaps we will be able to get the ball rolling.

Franny NY-19-F President, NU PI

CHI TREASURER'S REPORT . . .

Balance on hand, June 30th:	\$154.49
Meeting Fee:	+32.00
Associate Dues:	+ 4.00
Donation:	+ 4.00
Reserve Fund Interest:	+ 4.09
Meeting Room:	-44.00
Refreshments:	-10.00
Postage:	-10.33
Donation, DREAM:	-10.00
Chapter Reserve Fund:	- 4.09

Balance on hand, August 31st: \$120.16

OUR ADS (AGAIN)

We obtained a rate chart for classified ads, to determine the approximate rates we would have to pay. Based on this information, the Chapter determined that a one week run in each of the three Chicago metropolitan newspapers would have been prohibitive. After a discussion of the circulation and type of readership of each paper, we decided to place the ad in the Chicago Tribune and the Chicago Sun-Times for two consecutive Sundays each. The ad copy has been sent to each of the papers, but no response has been received as yet.

Through the kind donation of Lois, the ad was also sent to the Green Bay News-Chronicle for a run of 6 consecutive days. Thanks a lot, Lois. How about some of the rest of you

doing the same, placing the ad in your local newspaper?

Try and attend the next Chapter meeting on the 17th, and meet our special guest. I'll be looking for you!

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