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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- > Drag Show Raises Funds
- > Kay Recognized By Cross-Talk
- > Kristi Visits TWV
- > Dr. Linda Geronilla To Visit TWV In May

DRAG SHOW A SUCCESS

A charity Drag Show recently held in Huntington, raised over \$3,000.00 for the AIDS Foundation. Over 550 people attended the event.

DREAM A LITTLE . .

Fantasy Island has nothing on the members of Trans-West Virginia. During the March meeting there was a rather lengthy discussion on Fantasy Outfits. The question under consideration was "What is your one true Fantasy Outfit?" The responses ranged from a Prom Dress to a Cheerleading ensemble. In the last issue of Mountain Lace you were asked to match the member with the outfit. Answers were to be published in May. And so they have:

Beverly ------ Wedding Gown
Debbie ----- Prom Dress
Kay ----- Cowgirl Dress
Renee ----- Prom Dress
Susan ----- Victorian Lace Dress
Tabetha ----- Cheerleader Outfit

GUEST SPEAKER IN MAY

Dr. Linda Geronilla will be visiting with and

making a presentation to Trans-West Virginia during the May meeting on 5/15/92. We would like ALL members to attend this event. There will be two dressing rooms available to expedite the "blossoming of womanhood" so the meeting can begin sharply at 8:00 P.M. Party trays are going to be purchased so there will be plenty of delicious food. It is important that members complete the meeting Registration Form, attached, and mail it to us as soon as possible so we know how much food to order. Please come and join in this exceptional event. An outstanding presenter, great food, and wonderful company. What more could you ask for!

WAY TO GO!

Kay, our own Gary Larson in skirts, has been recognized by CROSS-TALK, The Transgendered Community's Newsletter, for her HUMOROUS CLASSICS Cartoons. Kay's work is featured each month in Mountain Lace. No doubt about it, Kay has a way with the funny bone, generating more smiles then Crest Tooth Paste.

ROLL CALL!

Present for the April meeting were: Alice, Doris, Kay, Jenny, Kristi, Renee, Mary, Susan, Tabgetha, and Beverly. Our next meeting will be

on May 15, 1992. The meeting will begin at 8:00 p.m. SHARP. WE WANT ALL MEMBERS TO ATTEND THIS SPECIAL MEETING!

JHE OJHER SIDE

MY STORY BY: JENNIFER FOX

CONTINUED... David had a very pained look on his face. It was obvious that what he had to share with me was difficult. He closed his eyes for a moment, then looked at me directly. David then spoke, saying; "I am not sure, but I think I am gay." He then went on to explain that he never got very excited about girls or sex in general. I asked him if he liked guys. "I don't know. I have never really given it much thought. I just know that girls do nothing for me." He then let out a sigh, and an expression of relief crossed his face. "Do you think I am sick or something," he asked. Having never knowingly encountered a homosexual, I was not sure how to respond. What I did know, was that my feelings toward David were unchanged. I felt sorry about the obvious emotional pain he appeared to be in.

I told David that I did not think he was sick or anything else. We proceeded to discuss his situation for more then an hour. Then the conversation began to weave my situation and feelings with his situation and feelings. What we discovered was that we had similar thoughts and fears, but for different reasons. Common ground existed and a feeling that each of us had discovered a support base in the other began to emerge. In fact, we had shared deep secrets and grown closer as a result. We were at ease discussing the subjects of transvestism and homosexuality with each other.

By the time we had finished talking, it was lunch time. We decided to track on over to the cafeteria. David suggested that I clean the lipstick off and put some socks on. Following his suggestion, we ventured over to the Student Union to eat. As I downed the mystery

meat in all purpose gravy, I kept thinking how monumental this mornings events had been. I was "out of the closet" so to speak, with one person. He knew that I wore women's clothes and it did not bother him.

As David and I advanced our way through college we became very close friends. David never did figure out his sexual orientation while in college. I kept up the pace of wearing my feminine finery as often as possible. On graduation day David gave me a gift. He told me to open it in private, then winked. When I opened the box, later, David had given me a beautiful blue nylon night gown. I sent him a quick note thanking him.

David left the day after graduation for his new job. Dave was a journalism major and had a position waiting for him in Morgantown. I too had a job waiting on me as well as a wedding to attend, my own.

My wife to be had no idea about my transvestism. I thought that I would just have to give Jennifer up after Debbie and I were hitched. Was I in for a surprise. Before the end of my first month of marriage, my new bride was playing with me one evening trying to spray me with perfume. I protested, but to no avail. She got me. Then Debbie told me that since I smelled like a woman, she would like to see what I would look like dressed as a woman. Again, I protested. Guess what, she had her way. Within minutes, I was in panties, bra, stockings, a slip, and was being led to the dressing mirror for the application of make-up. After the make-up came a white summer dress and white sandles. Since my hair was already long, Debbie teased it to finish the look. When completed we were both amazed. I really looked like a girl! Their was excitement in the air and when you are a young couple, excitement is usually translated into

passion. Within a very short period of time we were... TO BE CONTINUED...

HUMOROUS CLASSICS

BY: KAY LIGHTNER





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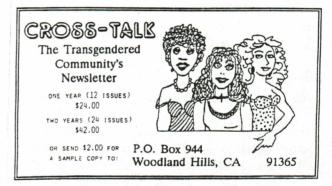


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YES!

I will be attending the May meeting of TWV.

Fem Name

[] My spouse will also be attending.

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