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### CROSS DRESSERS INTERNATIONAL CDI IS FOR YOU

nafter called CDI, was founded by S. Kristine James now director of the group. Kristine acted after many requests and years of planning. Finally, Cross Dressers International, here there are week night programs

CDI is a non-profit, non-sexual organization open to all who cross dress with a full faminine identity regardless of sexual practices or orientation.

CDI sponsors meetings, parties, dinners, shows and serves as a membership organization serving the aducational, social, recreational needs of all cross dressers.

For members and triends, CDI provides friendship and a secure, non-threatening environment. A neweletter is published and supplied free to members. Members receive substantial discounts to all special programs and activities and often free admission. Members also receive discounts on services and merchandise. , Karen Cloe is our New York Director and S. Kristine James is our National Executive Director. 212-213-3352.

### POOL PARTY-AUGUST 19, 1993

It looks like we are going to have another great pool party this year. Reservations are coming in from all over. For you new folks, the event will be at Days Hotel, 8th Ave and 49th St., New York City. Parking is in the hotel. The pool will open at 7 PM with PLENTY of dressing rooms for all. We will have a sandwich buffet and I think that the bar will be open. We must leave at 11 PM, so come early. Bring you swim suit or however you want to be remembered.

Cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for non-members. Some of us will be staving overnight in the hotel and many of us will be going out afterwards to Sallys or Eidelweiss. Call Jan at 212-321-2302 for reservations.

### **JEWELRY** PARTY-SEPTEMBER 23. 1993

We are going to try again with Vernice. Terry White assures us that she will be here with her huge collection of inexpensive jewelry of all kinds. We saw a lot of her products at the '93 Moonlight and we were

impressed with her collection. From rings in large sizes, ear rings and chains to some exciting accessories, Vernice will have something for you.

This meeting will be held at 7 PM or earlier if you need to change. We are not sure what the menu will be yet. The charge is \$15 per member and \$20 for non-members. Magda's, 80 Varick St., Apt 7A, Manhattan. Call Jan for reservations 212-321-2302.

### HALLOWEEN PARTY - OCTOBER 28, 1993

Terry, Nancy, Jan and Shelly are working on something. I have no idea what it is or where it is. Stay tuned.

#### WHAT A WONDERFUL NIGHT IT WAS!

Our July surprise meeting was one of our better attended meetings and we may have solved a big problem. Nancy had been in contact with her friend Magda about using her wonderful apartment for our meeting. Arrangements were made and I put the word out. We had 16 people attend. Louisa put on a thrilling demonstration of corsetrey and showed us a wonderful gaf with a pocket. This is now available at Muriel's Fem Fashions.

At any rate, everyone at the party had a good time. The place was spacious with a wonderful view. The are two bathrooms and two changing rooms, one which was a surprise and I won't tell you what that is until you come there. Magda wants us to come there every month, but I don't think so. We will however, have most of our meetings there. There is no door man, but a double security system. It is at 80 Varick St., Apt 7A, ring buzzer for "Tunnel Vision" and her phone is 212-274-9827 for future reference. For those of you who will be driving in

she is right in front of the Holland

Tunnel.

I hope to see you all there in September. It is in a good neighborhood and if you want to go elsewhere afterward the reare good places right nearby.

### SURVEY OF NEEDS AND **PROGRAMS:**

Your steering committee needs some help. Nancy is trying to put together a meaningful program for all, but finds it hard to put it together with out some help from you. Therefore, please complete the attached and return it ASAP. We would like to develop better programs and need to know what you would like and where you would like it. Membership has been growing and we have the ability to present several events and parties for fun and education. With the location offered by Magda, this can be done in a relaxed atmosphere. But maybe you still like to go out to a restaurant or club once in a while.

We ask you to sign this form, but this is not necessary. If you do, Nancy may want to call you and expand on your idea. Come on you bashful people, give Nancy some help here. It can be fun for all.

### **ALTERATIONS:**

by David Tolbin

One of our greatest pleasure is to be able to shop for pretty, attractive, sexy, chic, practical clothing. In

### CALENDAR

August 19 Pool Party Sept 23 Jewlery Party Oct 28

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boutiques, women's departments and specialty shops we can find some bargains or at least good buys.

A great problem has always been finding an expert tailor so the great clothing will be made to fit our bodies. Yes, there are many men's tailors, womens tailors and those tailors who claim to do women's and mens fitting tailoring and repairs. From our experience we found that some tailors were all right but we weren't too happy with their work. Also many felt uncomfortable with these tailors.

We have great news and information for you. There is no reason to look further. At Craft Cleaners, located at 1065 3rd Avenue (between 62 and 63rd Sts), Manhattan, you will find Mr. Mendel. Mr. Mendel is not an expert on women's and mens fitting and tailoring, but he has great ability in fitting and making our community look wonderful in their feminine finery. Whether it's a suit, dress, skirt, blouse, sweater, gown or any lingerie, it will be made to fit you perfectly by Mr. Mendel.

At Craft Cleaners, Mr. Mendel has a finished basement where you will have privacy, many mirrors, fitting platforms and dressing booths. Mr. Mendel also shares our philosophy and feels we should have complete freedom to cross dress.

Craft Cleaners, 1065 3rd Ave, Manhattan, NY 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM, 6 days a week.



### FASHION TIPS FROM TERRI by Terri White

### SUMMER "93" FEMININE

Instinct

This fashion season is moving toward a softer, sensual and eclectic look. The silhouette is long, linear and liquid. Shoulders are smaller. The hip is the pivotal point that will give you a sexy flow in style. For today's woman, this is the beginning of a new era, and brings the artist in all of us young women, to the forefront. Like most of us as today's women, we always need new cloths and more forward. I tell you to forget that hard-edged power dressing. The 90's has started women to build confidence in your dressing wardrobe.

This summer today women must be her own person and make her own personal statement. She must look and feel good in slipping into something that is in a relaxed form that clings to her shape and gives her more sex appeal.

Well, ladies, we are seeing a come back in black in our wardrobe. It's seen as an important color this season, as it works as a perfect canvas to build upon. You can go from day to night, and for some of us gals we don't have to worry about how to dress those legs.

Also ladies, a romantic blouse feminizes the softer suits. The new quintessential vest best serves as an alternative to the basic jacket. The wave of elongated dress jackets is here and then there are those wonderful long sweaters just right for covering up a few unwanted bulges. Bias liquid pants, especially stirrups, create a modern flare to your wardrobe also. Then there are the sensual slip dresses and ankle-grazing tea dresses. Check out some of the body suits. They are wonderful as blouses and they never come untucked.

I found some of these fashions tips won't weight your wardrobe down, but they will add some spice to this season. As you created a new one, just let your individual personality shine through.



### **MURIEL SUGGESTS...**

by Muriel Olive

### LIPS

The mouth is the most mobile feature, capable of showing many emotions and expressions. To achieve a clean looking outline always use a lipstick brush when applying lipstick. A pencil may also be used. The brush and pencil are used in the same manner. Place the little finger against the chin to serve as a brace.

The lipstick shade worn must harmonize with the rest of your complexion as well as your nail polish and the outfit you are wearing.

Outline the lips first, using a lipstick pencil, by drawing short, sketchy, overlapping lines.

"A" is the highest elevation of the lip-line and just below the ribs extending down from the nostril. Put a dot just on both sides above this point of the lips.

"B" Follow guideline "A" to the bottom lip. Put a dot on both sides as much as a 1/4" below the lower lip if the lip is too thin.

"C" is the middle guideline and is centered between "A" and "B".

- 1.Connect center lower lip guide lines from dot to dot with a curved line and ending straight to ∞rners.
- 2. Connect the top lip guides with short, sketchy, overlapping strokes from the low to the high elevation, curving slightly outward, then straightening out down to the corners.
- 3. Fill in the outline solidly with lipstick brush or lipstick from the tube.

Blot lips with tissue and apply lip gloss to give it more highlight sheen or moist look, if desired

### CORRECTIVE LIPLINE CHART







Very Full Center, Tight Corners-Build out sides of upper and lower lip, avoiding too much curve toward corners







Large, Full Lipi-Keep lipstick coloring inside of lip line Stiade color off at sides. Keep corners very sharp and clean-cut







Small Mouth-Build out sides of upper and lower lips and extend corners of mouth.







Drooping Corners-Build up the upper lip at corners of mouth







Thin lipi-Increase size of both upper and lower lip with a genile curving line







Thin Upper Lip-Build up curve of upper lip to balance







Thin Lower Lip-Friend curve of lower lip to balance







Sharp ( upid's Bow, Nerrow (.orners-Fill in most of Cupid's Bow widen sides of upper and lower lips

September 9, 10, 11,12, 1993 Poconos Fall Fantasy Muriel Olive Fem Fashions 9 W. 31st St. New York, NY 10001 212-629-5750

September 16-19, 1993 Paradise In The Pcocnos CDS P.O. Box 61263 King of Prussia, PA 19406 October 4-7, 1993

Dignity Cruise V Dr. Peggy Rudd 1811 Crutchfield Katy, TX 77449 713-347-6563 Feb 25 to 27, 1994 Sixth Annual Texas T Party

April 21-24, 1994 Moonlight in Manhattan Contact the CDI Office

For all the information on what is happening in the community, join CDI by completing an application and sending it to CDI, P.O. Box 61, Easton, PA 18044-0061. For information call Karen or Kristine 212-213-3352.

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# ANNUAL SURVEY WILL YOU GIVE US A PIECE OF YOUR MIND?

This worksheet will be of value in identifying potential activities, program and projects to be undertaken by CDI as well as to asses our current activities. YOU INPUT IS VALUABLE TO OUR LEADERSHIPI. Please provide us with your thoughts, concerns and dreams. The worksheet is a guide to thought. You may have other comments that you would like to make. Please feel free to send us what ever thoughts and ideas that you may have.

Please bring this to the August 19th meeting or mail to Nancy Wright, 6 W. 77th St. #8C, New York, NY 10024.

1. What have been our most successful activities to date?

2. How should we expand them?

3. What type of a program would make you come to the event even if you had something else to do?

4. Where would you be most comfortable in attending a gathering?

5. What is our biggest opportunity to be of service?

6. Should we participate in more community activities?

7. What else should we know?

**OPTIONAL:** 

- Name:
- Telephone Number