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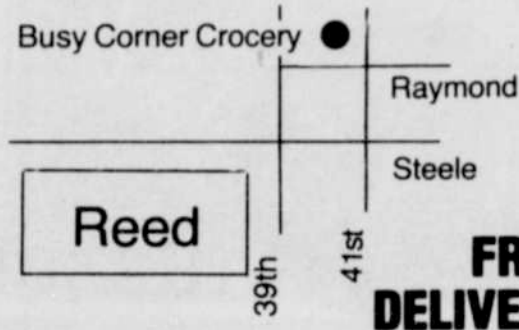
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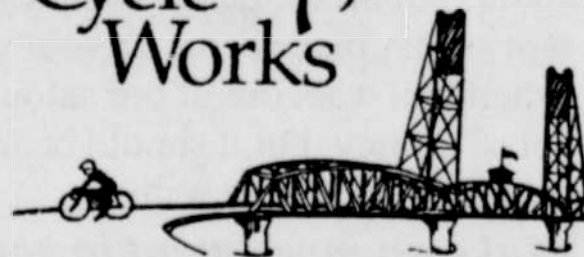
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Carrsyn health fund established

Maureen Carrsyn, a long-time member of the Portland lesbian community, was diagnosed late last year with breast cancer. She had had regular breast examinations and caught it before it reached a painful stage. Carrsyn underwent a mastectomy in January. She is expected to make a full recovery.

Carrsyn has health insurance through her employer, but she still faces \$2,600 in expenses. A number of benefits produced by women who have known her for many years have been held to raise the necessary funds.

Raising the money has also raised a number of questions few of us had personally addressed. What of other women, like me, who have no health insurance? The treatment Carrsyn received cost many thousands of dollars; how many of us could afford it?

Also, how well do we take care of our bodies.

How often do we check them to make sure all is in working order? Had Carrsyn not had regular mammograms, the cancer would have been much more serious. The diagnosis was made before there was a lump in her breast.

Fundraising efforts on Carrsyn's behalf are continuing. All money raised above the \$2,600 goal will be placed in a trust fund for women in our community who find themselves in similar situations. Contribute what you can, and heed the warning: cancer, and other diseases, can be cured if caught early. Carrsyn never did feel sick. Had she not had regular check-ups or had she waited until she knew something was wrong, the prognosis might have been much worse.

The response from the community has been positive; women have pitched in, donating time, money, and energy.

To contribute mail check or money order to: Maureen Carrsyn, c/o Sarazan James, 214 N.E. 29th, Portland, OR 97232.

— Nancy Vanderburgh

Recommended reading

Report on Gay and Lesbian Youth in Seattle by Seattle Commission on Children and Youth. 105 Union Street, Suite 160, Seattle, WA 98101.

An excerpt from the Executive Summary of the Report follows:

The Report includes 21 recommendations for the City of Seattle, Seattle Public Schools, agencies providing social and health services to youth and families, and the media. Major recommendations seek to address the needs of young people for accurate, objective, and relevant information about sexual orientation, supportive counseling and other social services, and protection from harassment and discrimination.

For example, the Commission recommends that the Seattle School District incorporate appropriate information about sexual orientation into the curricula of existing health and family life courses and that teachers receive training about the problems and special needs of gay and lesbian students. The Commission also recommends that the District adopt explicit written policies reflecting prohibition of discrimination in employment on the basis of sexual orientation, as well as harassment of gay and lesbian students.

A limited number of copies of the Report, published with the January 1989 edition of *Guide Magazine*, are available for \$1 plus 75 cents postage and handling from One In Ten Publishing, 1535 11th Avenue, Suite 20, Seattle, WA 98122; or contact the Commission at the address above.

SF Lesbian and Gay International Film Festival now accepting entries

Frameline is now accepting entries for the San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival, June 16-25, 1989. Held for the past 13 years during San Francisco's Lesbian and Gay Freedom Celebration, the Festival brings together the best in feature, documentary, and short films and video works

by and about lesbians and gay men. This, the world's largest and most respected annual screening of its kind, is sponsored by *Frameline*, a nonprofit media arts organization, to develop and promote the production, exhibition, and appreciation of lesbian and gay films and video tapes.

Awards will be presented to outstanding works in several categories. Formats accepted include 35mm, 16mm, and super-8 films; NTSC 3/4" and 1/2" VHS video cassettes. The deadline for entries is March 31, 1989. For more information and entry forms contact *Frameline*, PO Box 14792, San Francisco, CA 94114 or call (415) 861-5245.

Stein assignments announced

State Representative Beverly Stein (D - Southeast Portland) announced her committee positions and legislative roles in the Oregon House of Representatives. Stein, beginning her first term, sits on four standing committees: Housing, Human Resources, Intergovernmental Affairs, and the House Rules Committee.

Equally as important, Stein is serving this session as Democratic Assistant Majority Leader. In this capacity, Stein assists in organizing the Democratic caucus of the House.

Stein encourages all of her constituents in Southeast Portland to contact her office in Salem or Portland if they are concerned or want to be involved in a particular issue.

Stein's Legislative Aide in Salem is Louise Tippens. Also providing assistance are interns, Kelly Garner and Mike Campbell. Tippens, Garner, and Campbell can answer questions concerning bills, as well as stating Stein's position. The Salem office number is 1-800-327-7389.

Stein's Portland office is staffed on a part-time basis by Liz Kaufman. The Portland office is located at 1625 SE 44th and the phone number is 238-7971.

