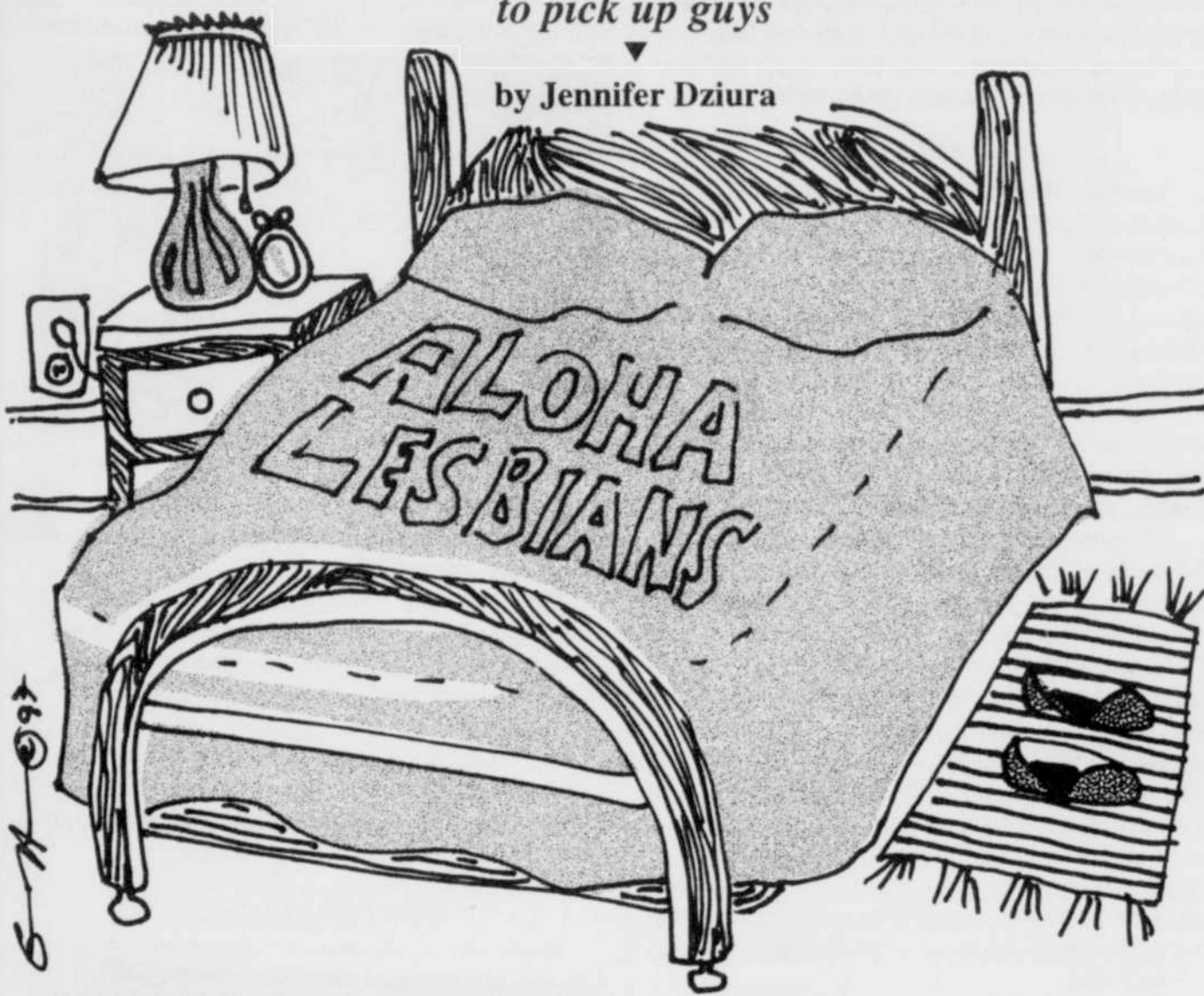


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## Aloha, lesbians!

Heterosexual women might try giving off a lesbian aura to pick up guys

by Jennifer Dziura



During my first year of college, I attended—with a female date—a loud and crowded fraternity party called “Early Eighties.”

I believe it was while we were dancing to “Electric Boogaloo” that the first in a long series of intoxicated frat boys accosted us.

“Well hey, ladies,” was his scintillating opener. I gave him an acknowledging nod, a slight tilt of the head that clearly stated, “We see what you have to offer, and we would rather eat tree bark. We are lesbians, and we do not welcome propositions from hirsute Cro-Magnon men.”

Apparently, however, Fratboy misread my nod as meaning, “We are only together because we have no men. Do you have back hair? That attracts us very much.” He continued undaunted, attempting to dance in between us, wanting to be—dare I say it—the meat in a lesbian sandwich.

He made a rather earthy remark regarding his desire for multiple bed mates. “I practically have a bedspread embroidered with ‘Aloha, Lesbians,’” he might have said, if he hadn’t been drinking quite so much.

I later reflected on the event with a gay frat boy friend of mine. “Why, out of a room full of women, do they go for the lesbians? Do they really, really like a challenge? Do they want to march with us in the next pride parade?”

“No,” he says. “They think you’re going to sleep with them.”

“But why—”

“I know, Jen. It doesn’t make sense.” He revealed that the presence of lesbians in his fraternity house is a popular topic on their e-mail discussion list. “Man, why don’t we have more lesbians in the house!” the brothers lament.

The funny thing is, were I to attend a frat party like “Early Eighties” alone, I would attract absolutely no notice. I mean, I really don’t measure up to some of those luscious man-worshippers. For example, I don’t squeal delightfully when an oafish frat boy spills cheap beer on me in a dimly lit basement where my boots stick to the floor.

But, since giving off a lesbian aura seems to be so effective in attracting men, I can only wonder why hetero women don’t try it. Two straight sorority sisters grinding on the dance floor would get all the male attention they could possibly desire. Why bother with painful plucking and arduous eyeliner when the same results can be achieved by sitting in adorable Tiffany’s lap?

Or, you know that trick where a straight woman pretends to have a boyfriend to make the man she really wants jealous? It would have so much more impact if she whined, “Trisha’s really nice and all, but sometimes I just really find myself wishing she had...more appendages.” That would be enough to make any lesbian-lusting frat boy die with a blissful, arrogant grin on his face.

If Fratboy wants this from a *real* lesbian, he’s distinctly out of luck. But as gay men and lesbians become more visible and accepted at the nation’s colleges and universities, perhaps straight women will realize the potential of a little woman-on-woman action and will turn our campuses into hotbeds of lesbian experimentation. Am I complaining? No, not at all. Aloha lesbians, indeed!

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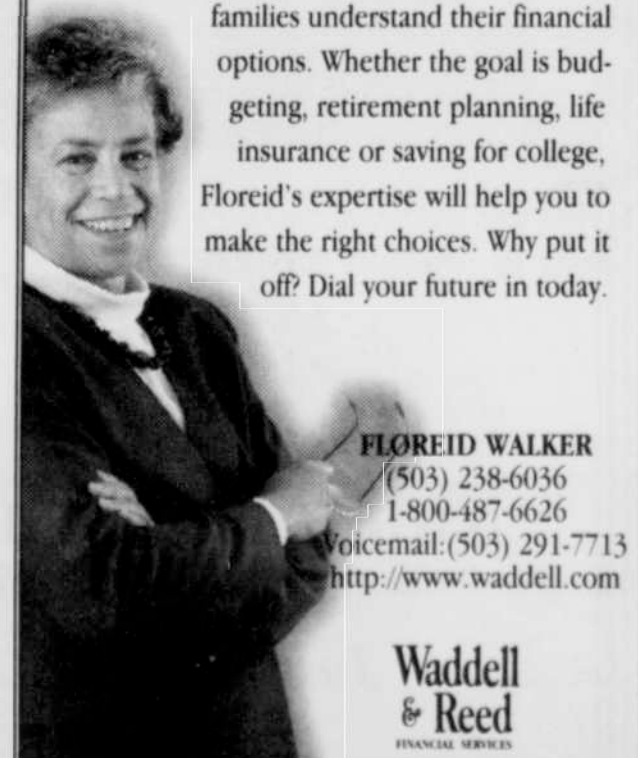
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