Rubyfruit Reader

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sexuality survey

Because we feel it important to learn more about ourselves as lesbians we are helping distribute a Lesbian Sexuality Survey by including it in this issue of Ruby. From the press release..."The questionnaire deals explicitly with..lesbian sexuality itself, but it also includes a vital aspect of homosexuality--the social and psychological element..What little is known about (homosexuals) sex lives has been gathered by straight professionals, many of them psychiatrists hostile to homosexuality and often with a vested interest in keeping gay people in the role of "sick patients." (Other research)..when not hostile..is out of date..In short, ignorance about gay people is appalling. The report prepared (from the questionnaires)..will consist largely of the words of thousands of gay individuals..speaking about their experiences..The result (will be) a warm, humanistic forum for gay people to express themselves honestly and openly." The Ruby staff encourages you to sit down and fill out the pages-they provide a fascinating look at ourselves. You can order more copies from the SURVEY folks, and there is a separate questionnaire if you have gay male friends. The authors also hope that we will answer at least one long question--these will comprise the "warm, humanistic forum" part of the resulting book. Have fun!

contributions & distribution

Last month we got more serious about asking for $ and ¢ donations to Ruby, and many of you responded in Ruby cans and in our hands and in the mail. THANK YOU. We will continue to ask for donations and ads--(see new ad policy)--You please keep on giving so Ruby can have paper and stencils and ink and stamps. We wrote to you about wanting to print all of Ruby, but we're not there financially yet, so we'll start with the cover - and ask for 35¢ PER COPY rather than 25¢. Our distribution points with cans (so far) are S.C.Women's Health Center, Mother Right Bookstore, You've Got Me Flying Kite Shop; we would love you to pick up Rubies at these places so you can donate easily and immediately. We also put or take Ruby to Phyl's, Dragon Moon, Bookshop Santa Cruz, (women's section), Plaza Books, Cabrillo ♀'s Center**, UCSC Gay Library**, SJ State ♀'s Center**, Cymbaline, Felton Coop, Two Sisters, concerts, fairs. Are there other suggested distibution points?? We know we're not reaching all S.C. county lezzies- for example, where can we distribute in south county (Freedom, Watsonville)?? Please let us know tips.

** When school's in session.

We have a NEW ADDRESS

Box 2386, Santa Cruz Ca. 95063

Having a mailbox closer to us will help us get to our fan mail faster (THANKS for your letters, money, articles, suggestions and a very few surveys- 5 out of 500 copies returned). And the money saved in gas to Felton will go toward the increased cost of the Seabright box. Please continue to write - we really enjoy and need your input. Operating with some sense of community is much more rewarding than writing/drawing/etc. in a vacuum. And we would really like this to be even more of a Santa Cruz lesbian communique', not just a Ruby staff lesbian communique'. OK??

apologies

Apologies are in order for goofs we (or machines we used) made in the May and June issues: Cutting off the top of Jade's poem May p.24--"I can feel the moon"; Not crediting Jill Hoy's graphic, May p.20; Credit not clear on Wendy Smith's graphic, May p.13; Not doing an apology in June for May!!

ads

We want to support more of the cost of our production through ads. We also hope to raise enough to start printing, (instead of mimeo).

So, if you would like to place an ad with us, please send camera ready copy (black ink and graphics on white paper to size) and payment by the 15th of the month.

Our rates are as follow:

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-will be typed, single spaced
-$1.00 for first 25 words
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-$2.00 per column inch (2 3/4 inches wide)

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subscriptions

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO RUBYFRUIT READHER ARE STILL ONLY $3.00 FOR 6 ISSUES. GET THEM WHILE THEY LAST! Send a check or money order to BOX 2386, SANTA CRUZ, CA., 95063, and we will send you a sparkling new Ruby each time we publish it (usually once a month!!).BE THE FIRST ON YOUR BLOCK...

Catherine, Charlotte, Cleary, Clytia, Kater and Kathi produced this issue.

Dyke Tactics & Gay Pride

By Catherine

In last month's Ruby you read about the homophobic battles being waged in Florida and elsewhere across the United States. This month we'll bring you up to date on gay rights and gay celebrations happenings in Santa Cruz since then.

The womyn in the Lesbian Umbrella Organization chose to do a "mall visibility" campaign the week before the gay pride parade in an attempt to start building good gay images with the public. Each day from 11:30 to 2:00 there were smiling dykes going up to folks along the mall, usually introducing themselves as a Santa Cruz lesbian, and asking for their signature on a statement of support for human rights. Reactions to this request ranged from "my husband told me not to sign anything like this," to "oh, here you are. I've been looking all over for you so I could sign this." The womyn I interviewed said the majority of the responses they received were positive and very supportive, both of us having rights and of the approach we were using to gather affirmation of that fact. Other folks did not want to sign anything, no matter what it was. While some people who said their religious beliefs normally prevented them from condoning homosexuality held to that and wouldn't sign the support statement, others of them said in this case they felt we deserved basic rights as humans, and signed. A few people approached seemed filled with great hatred and yelled at the womyn to "go away", held their faces averted and said things like "I don't want to look at you." Sometimes the retorts were filled with invisibility, such as "they shouldn't be in the schools", ignoring that the womon had just introduced herself as a lesbian. After spending a long time discussing gay rights issues with two male construction workers, a womon reported them to have said that they saw her point, that gay people did have the right to human rights, but they felt the "men had blown it for everybody" with the media image of chains and leather, etc.

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One of the most poignant occasions of the week happened when a womon said "there are a lot more womyn who have been with womyn lovers than you'll ever know," and tears ran down her cheek as she signed the statement.

Strong feelings and new observations were common among the "visibility" people- "it was real scary, especially the first day when we didn't know how people would react..."demystifying to meet the people who hate us- to see that they are normal people on the street"... "exciting to meet dykes visiting from Berkeley or newly arrived from New York"... "good to see that my world was not as exclusive as I'd thought-that I wasn't so much at odds with the entire world--lots of people support us. I didn't realize that support existed, and usually there is no way to test this without putting ourselves on the line."

Generally, the risk of negativity tired the womyn fast, and some felt drained at the end of each day. Overall they felt it was a positive experience, but as one womon said "I only wanted to do it when I had my energy together--it's a one-shot deal--we have only one time to approach them (people on the street) and so it's important to be together."

While some dykes were on the mall. others were working on different fronts- in meetings and confrontations with: the Sentinel editor getting a printed retraction to the article about "no gay pride week" and a publishing of the correct schedule of events; with the board of supervisors about supporting Gay Pride Week, and the Agnos bills in the legislature; with the bar owners informing them of the Florida citrus boycott and the various beer boycotts (Coors, Busch, Michelob-all Anheiser Busch products); with the R-Coop board of trustees, getting their support of the citrus products boycott and of gay rights in general; with each other writing numerous letters to national and state legislators urging them to support gay rights bills; with someone from the Independent, giving them fuel to write a fine editorial; with each other making signs and banners and planning the last minute things for the week→

end celebrations. Some of these goals were reached in one meeting--others will continue to be worked on into the future weeks (and years??)

This year (especially) Santa Cruz lesbians felt it was important to be in solidarity with the men around gay struggles and joys, and so together they planned the Gay Pride Week events. So after a week of very hard and exciting work on the mall and elsewhere about 100 womyn and men met that Friday night at Mother Right Cultural Center to relax and share poetry, songs, chants, skits, admonitions- a truly gay talent sharing.

On Saturday, workshops at Kresge (lesbian health care, womyn's self-defense, gays in media and art, womyn's and men's body movement, and lesbian and gay men's dialogue) were sparsely but enthusiastically attended. That evening men gathered at UCSC to share music, while the womyn gathered again at Mother Right for a sumptuous potluck dinner, a sing-along-jam, and later, lots of dancing.

Sunday morning the sun rose to the sight of over 300 womyn, children and men gathering for a parade down the mall in support and celebration of gay people. The mood was cheerful, hopeful, the planning carefully done--hassles were to be dealt with nonviolently- any violent energy would be de-escalated--if someone needed help dealing with a situation they were to call "support"--a person or two would come and stand with them for support; support people wore lavender armbands with a pink triangle (symbolizing gay oppression) centered with a red heart (for the love in and from each of us). Announcements were made about this support system, and then we held hands in a large circle, as one of the planners had us envision a circle of protection around each of us and around the entire parade, and asked that we each retain this with us throughout the day. The parade was headed by people carrying a banner proclaiming GAY RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS. Next was a sign explaining that the multitudes of balloons we carried symbolized people who felt they could not be out with us in this celebration. After them came hundreds of people, dancing, singing blowing bubbles, and carrying signs→

with slogans ranging from LESBIAN SURREALISTS UNITE to A DAY WITHOUT LESBIANS IS LIKE A DAY WITHOUT SUNSHINE. Many community groups had signs supporting gay people and rights too (thanks to all you non-gay folks who came out to support us).

The only heaviness came in the form of two men who walked ahead of the parade with signs reading GOD LOVES HOMOSEXUALS BUT HE HATES HOMOSEXUALITY and YOU DO HAVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE HOUSING AND JOBS TO HOMOSEXUALS.They stayed obvious to us, but did not verbally interfere with the paraders.

Upon entering San Lorenzo Park, the paraders formed a spontaneous circle and chanted together. Then some people dispersed and some stayed to share announcements, food, sack races raw egg tosses, kite flying and an aikido demonstration.

The celebration week is done now, and it's back to work. The gay pride week planning group has chosen to become a gay rights task force and any lesbians or gay men who wish to work with this group are welcome--please contact Switchboard at 426-LIFE for meeting dates, times and places. The political action group of the Lesbian Umbrella Organization also has some projects going in the area of gay rights--lesbians are very welcome to come join with these womyn--again, call Switchboard for information.

******EXTRA**EXTRA*********

After much pressuring with letters, phone calls, and threats of job resignations from people within and without his district, Borovatz joined Patton and Baldwin in passing a resolution in which the S.C.Supervisors support pro-gay state legislation &&& R-COOP members unanimously decided to uphold the citrus boycott by removing Florida citrus from its stock and informing the distributor and the Florida Citrus Commission of why this was done.

i love living here - 6 feet up in the oak tree. rosebushes don't usually live on oak trees, but this is grand. my friend the oak lets me thrust my roots within its' own and together we enter the warm rich earth. i must live on the north side because i share my space with moss and moss told me it lives on the north side. i'm very bushy near my base caressing this mighty oak with my moist leaves. my one lone rose lives on a long stem. royal red with a few flecks of yellow, rose likes it out there. velvet petals reaching for the sun.

"AAHHHHA!"

the pain is intense. someone has cut off rose and is taking her away. taking her away. beautiful rose, reaching for the sun, taken to be placed on an alter to dry up and wilt and....

as winter sets in my leaves fold up to curl against mighty oak, where i shall be secure. protected from the wind and rain and cold. spring, and once again i uncurl out this time i shall not bloom. the pain from rose was too much to bear.

"what is this?" "where are you taking me?" "DAMN." "oak, don't let them rip me like this."

"stupid rosebush. you're not supposed to grow on oak trees," says this thing that is ripping me away. this thing that even mighty oak cannot protect me from. the pain is immense and soon oak appears naked. i lie in a heap in a truck and these things are pleased that now oak is 'normal'.

winter and spring again and behold! oak has protected me, this time from within. the mighty roots have nourished me through all this time and once again rosebush leaves uncurl on the north side of oak. my reunion with moss is joyous. summer is here and we all grab for the sun when oak gives forth with a horrendous cry. they are back, those things who took rose away and bush away and now they speak of a road and are taking mighty oak away. as we are chopped and loaded into a truck the pain is unbearable.

one cold winter evening as one of these things tosses a peace of mighty oak and moss and me into a fire there is no heat. i suddenly blossom.

PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

by Robin McDuff

Last year, a professional women's softball league was created--the International Women's Professional Softball Association. The principal purpose of the league is to advance and expand women's sports and, hopefully, get paid for it.

Out of the ten teams that played last year, only five are back--(our own) San Jose Sunbirds, the Santa Ana Lionettes, the Bakersfield Aggies (located in Phoenix last year), the Connecticut Falcons, and the Buffalo Breski. Those teams along with a new one, the St. Louis Hummers, comprise the league this year. The five other teams folded because of lack of attendence, mismanagement and internal difficulties.

The league has had problems--in particular, the reluctance of the press to cover their season. National attention has been basically non-existant, and local coverage is usually spotty. Obviously, this lack of coverage is due to sexism. In San Jose, for instance, the local press has given only scanty coverage to the Sunbirds, but the new male soccer team, the Earthquakes, have gotten extensive local coverage. Without press coverage, it is difficult to get crowds to games... and without crowds, the league won't survive. According to the Sunbird's general manager, John Bruno, the team lost about $100,000 last year. They averaged about 1500 people per game. To break even this year, they need to average at least 2200 people per game.

At present, the salaries are low, as would be expected. They range between $1,000 and $4,000. Most players hold down another job. Over half of the players are teachers, which gives them the summer free. But others have had difficulty getting leaves from their employers for the season.

A lot (probably the overwhelming majority) of the players are lesbians. The May/June 77 issue of the Lesbian Tide has an article of softball in which they quote Diane Kalliam, San Jose's leading hitter, as saying that "virtually all" players are lesbians. Through glancing at the San Jose Sunbirds program--with each player pictured--that fact is fairly obvious.

Most of the players have to stay in the closet, however, for reasons of job security. As well, the league is in the position of being lesbian-baited. The success of the league is through drawing an audience, but the owners and players are afraid attendance would suffer if the predominance of lesbians in the league was known. One can only assume that most of the straight fans know that there are a lot of lesbian ballplayers but are willing to ignore it if it is kept quiet. The crowds at the Sunbirds games seem to be made up with two groups--first, families or individuals who are involved--through women who play--in amateur women's softball and, secondly, lesbians. It is obviously the families they are afraid of losing.

Another problem is tension between the owners--often men--and the players. In the June, 1977 issue of WomenSports this conflict is seen as being centered around money. But, it is reasonable to assume that the tensions are also over, to put it mildly, lifestyle differences.

The lesbian community should support pro softball. The more of us who go, the less the league will be financially hurt by lesbian-baiting/hating. The Sunbirds are very good. They play high-quality, exciting softball. (Even if the game gets a little slow, you can always occupy yourself with the "is she or isn't she?" game). As of this writing, San Jose has won 10 →

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games and lost 6 games. They are third in the league behind Connecticut and St. Louis--but are only a few games out of first place.

The Sunbirds home games are held at the San Jose Municipal Stadium, about 45 minutes from Santa Cruz. Games are $2.50 for adults ($3.25/box); $2.00 for children, students and people over 65. Tickets are available at the game, by mail or from Bass outlets. Their address: San Jose Sunbirds, 231 O'Conner Drive, San Jose 95128. Phone; 1-287-0900. Below is their schedule for the rest of the regular season:

July 1 -Santa Ana	7:30	July 22-Bakersfield	7:30
July 2 - "	"	July 23- "	"
July 3 - "	"	July 24- "	6:30
July 15-Buffalo	7:30	Aug 5 -Connecticut	7:30
July 16- "	"	Aug 6 - "	"
July 17- "	"	Aug 7 - "	6:30
July 21-Bakersfield	7:30	Aug 8 - "	7:30

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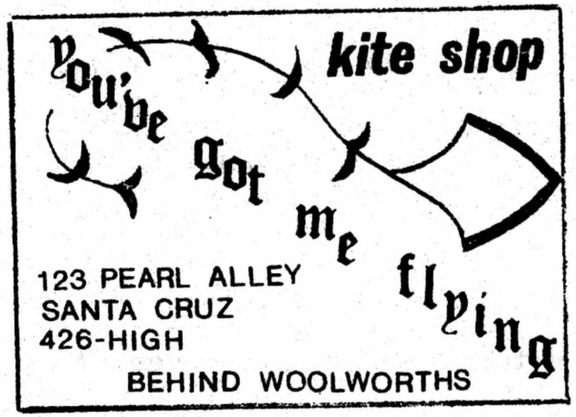

Need 2 women to share a lg. bedroom by Aug or Sept., in a lesbian-feminist-collective. If interested, call, 425-8748. Emily or Janis. Rent negotiable.

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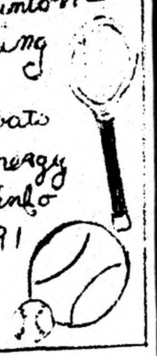
DYKE SPORTS

every Saturday at 10am
Garfield Park (off Almar)

Lets get together & play— volleyball, softball, frisbee, basketball, badminton— you name it BRing everything you've got (gloves, balls, bats rackets, friends, energy lemonade...) For info call Charlotte 426-6791 or Robin 423-3496



Letters to Ruby

Dear Ruby,

I came upon a copy of your Readher in my Women's Studies class at Cabrillo. I'm impressed--the paper is diverse in content and a necessity for Santa Cruz lesbians. We tend to isolate ourselves at times, but publications such as yours seem to draw us together, spiritually if not physically...I've enclosed some of my poetry in hopes that you may find some of it worth printing...In closing, I wish you much luck on future editions of Ruby.

In Sisterhood, Kathi Browning

Dear Sisters,

Loved hearing from you and being able to keep in touch. Ruby fruit is a fine endeavor. The article on Anita Bryant was one of the most exceptional jobs of getting it together that I have read. Yours is certainly a wonderful group effort and will pay off...

Love, Pat

Dear Ruby:

Just got back from Europe after a 3 month adventure! I ran into MotherRight and picked up the latest issue of...WOW! Stupendous! Extraordinary! Best issue yet! Loved it! I'm sending it straight away to a beautiful Australian womon I met in London and introduced to the Joyous-Bliss of Lesbianism! She told me, "I've been dreaming about becoming intimate with a woman! I never knew how easy and wonderful it could be! I've had much more fun with you than most men I've known!" We philosophized and politicized and I helped make her wonderments into reality! She proclaimed that from now on she was going to be assertive, stronger, and braver! "Now that I am 22, I am turning my life to a new, brighter, happier chapter!"

The next day we went to see the film, "Three Women" which we both found to be quite profound. We exchanged addresses and she said, she was never going to go to bed again, with a "shitwit" (Australian slang). No, I did not "seduce" her. She reached out to me.

Enclosed is $5 to help Ruby and help get rid of Anita Bryant's "witch-hunt"! I had heard about it from various folks in England but I didn't know it was that bad! It makes me utterly furious! It would probably do more harm than good →

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to send letters of protest directly to Bryant. As for local protest, I wish to advise your readhership that she can save time and postage by just dropping off her letter of concern directly to Assemblyman Henry Mello by going to the county building up to his office on the 5th floor and handing it to the clerk-receptionist.

With love that helps cross bridges, Alene Smith

Mother Right
mon-thurs: 10-6
fri: 12-9, sat. 12-10:30
538 Seabright Ave.
Santa Cruz, Ca. 95062
426-1317
feminist bookstore

ATTENTION WOMYN ARTISTS

All womyn are encouraged to bring their crafts and art work to Mother Right Bookstore to either place it there on a consignment basis or to arrange a showing.

mom loses kids

Jeanne Jullion lost her sons, ages 4 and 8 in a custody trial. The decision was based totally on Jeanne lesbianism; her mothering ability was never questioned.

Judge Gordon Minder imposed a gag order on the details of his decision; thus they cannot be revealed. It is an outrage that a child can be removed from a gay parent's home without any show of neglect. Taking a child away from a lesbian mother because of the possibility of future stigma threatens the right of any member of a minority group to raise their children. This decision has ramifications far beyond the present case. The rights of all of us are in danger.

Jeanne's 4-year-old son was forcibly taken from her on Monday, May 23 by his father, his father's lawyer and policemen. The child was not told where he was going nor allowed to say goodbye to his mother.

WE DEMAND A FAIR TRIAL!!!

Send money and support to: Jeanne Jullion Defense Fund P.O.Box 88447, Oakland, Ca. 94662. Thanks.

You'll Come Around

BY JENNIFER JADE

I almost didn't go up to her. For the most part, I tried to steer clear of old ladies, little kids and redneck couples. Dressed in faded peddlepushers and sneakers, she looked less than enlightened, but she glanced curiously at my clipboard as she walked by, so I asked her.

"Would you like to sign a statement of support for gay rights?"

She stopped and squinted at me through her sunglasses. "Support for what?"

"Gay rights," I repeated.

She looked blank for a moment, then smiled. "Oh...you mean homosexuals!" She had a voice like Mary Hartman's mother.

"Right," I said, glad that I didn't have to explain it to her.

"Well, are you for them or against them?"

"For them. See, this is a statement of support to be sent to the board of supervisors...."

"Oh, well I'm against them!" she declared, cheerfully.

"Why?"

"Why? Well, honey--because I think they're bad." She put down her shopping bag and retied the sun bonnet on her head. "Because I believe in Jesus and the Bible says that a man and woman go together, and that's what's supposed to be," she explained carefully. "A man and a woman. And one without the other isn't complete. See, a woman needs to have a family to be useful. Do you believe in Jesus?"

"Uh...no."

"Well, you need to be informed, that's what," she said, shaking her finger at me.

"Yeah, maybe, but are you saying that a woman without a man is worthless?"

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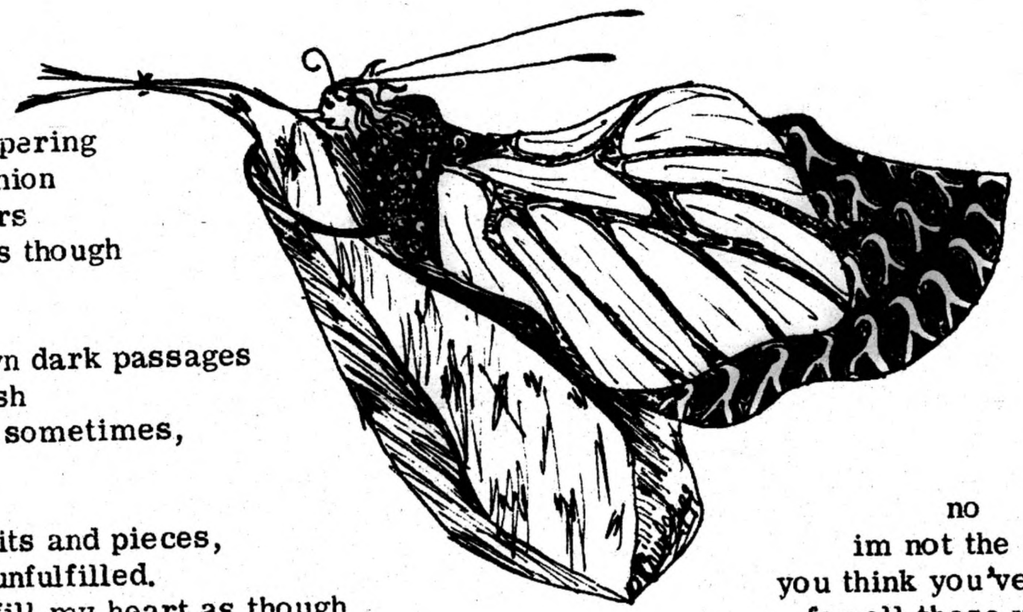
Just Another Love Poem



I've watched furry beasts scampering
in their small and mundane fashion
for scraps of food, left by others
in order to stuff their cheeks as though
never to be hungry again.

And I've followed my heart down dark passages
through mounds of hair and flesh
with searching mind and hands sometimes,
laughing but always afraid.

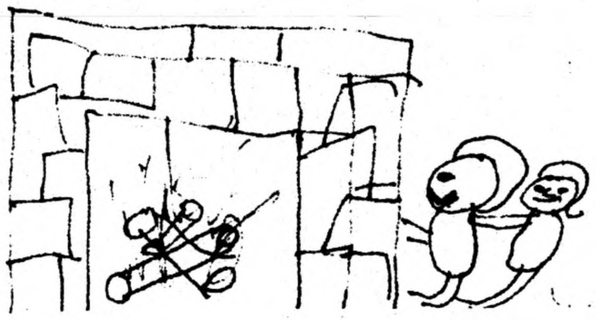
Scared to find only scattered bits and pieces,
of love's shining expectations unfulfilled.
Not enough, barely enough to fill my heart as though
never to be hungry again.
Needing and wanting too much from
too many too soon.

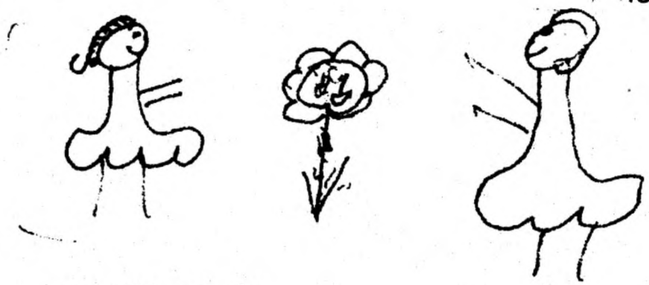
See, there's not a whole lot of difference between
those little beasts
and this big one. Except
I have my analysis of "Love in a capitalist
sexist society having a limited capacity to meet
needs created by economic
social/political/psychological
alienation, etc... Oh, but
you know, we're both hungry.

--Heather H

no
im not the me
you think you've known
for all these years
Locked inside
is a passionate soul
who laughs and cries
behind my eyes
and pleads to be set free

Kathi





the 4th grade

mrs ferrante was precise.
she wore patterned blue dresses
and sensible shoes.
she always had a handkerchief.
everytime she noticed me
she said to sit up straight.

except for sitting straight
i was the teachers pet.

one day the globe was out of place
the whole round wooden earth,
and i was picked to set it back.
first she said to move it to the left.
a little further on the shelf and out.
a few more inches shifted then to front.

i followed each step carefully
and held my breath.

when mrs ferrante was satisfied
the 4th grade world was right.

Diane Stein 2/23/77

"you'll come around" cont....

"That's right. That's what the Bible says."

"Are you married?"

"Well...I was married once," she answered defensively.

"But is he with you now?"

"No, that was a long time ago. I was only fifteen."

"So do you consider your life since then wasted?"

"Well, I tell you" she said with a wink "there's not many good men in this town."

"That I'll agree with."

"And I don't want to move, because I have a house."

"But what about now?" I continued. "Do you think you're worthless?"

"Of course I'm not worthless!" She stepped closer to me and lowered her voice to a confiding tone. "But, I'll tell you something about these homosexuals--they're bad people. I know because one of them moved in next door to me. And I don't want anything to do with him!"

"Why not?"

"Because! He's a homosexual!"

"But why do you think he's bad? Has he ever done anything to hurt anyone?"

"He brings men home with him."

"So what?"

"One time he brought a man home that didn't have any legs. He said he needed love too."

"Well, I'm sure he did."

"Not that kind of love. No, I tell you, I won't let him near me. He's not going to get me."

"What makes you think he <u>wants</u> you?"

"Ohhh! He wants me all right! He'd love to get his hands on me. Those people are sex maniacs!"

That was the clincher. "Sex maniacs?!" I cried, waving my clipboard in the air. "That's absolutely ridiculous! What about me? Am I a sex maniac, too? Just because I love women?"

"You?" She looked at me incredously.

"Yes. I'm a lesbian." →

"Ohh..." she shook her head. "Oh, oh, oh, oh." As if suddenly remembering, she said, "I know!" There was a mixture of sympathy and wisdom in her eyes. She touched my arm. "I know. You've had some great disappointment in your life. What was it?"

A life full of disappointments flashed in front of me. I felt cornered. "That's not true," I said. "We all get disappointed."

"You need to get married, that's what you need." She patted my shoulder consolingly.

"No, I don't want to get married."

"There's a man out there that's just for you. He's out there waiting. You'll find him soon."

"But, I don't want a man! I like women."

"That'll change. You'll see. You'll get married and have kids and everything will be all right. You'll be very happy."

"But I am happy! I've never been so happy! And I don't want a man!"

"But you need a man to love you."

"No!" I shouted. "No. I have a <u>woman</u> that loves me, and I love her! And she's beautiful and wonderful and I wouldn't want it any other way!"

"Well, do you think that what you're doing with this woman is right?" she asked.

"Oh," I smiled, my voice suddenly warm, "It couldn't be righter."

She looked straight into my eyes and I could tell they were glowing. "So you think God gave you this woman?"

"I guess she must have."

"Well. You see, I've been brought up differently," she said, wrinkling her brow and backing away.

"I know you have," I said eagerly. "That's why I'm out here--to show people like you that I'm just a person, too. That I haven't done anything wrong, I'm not a monster or a sex maniac. And I'm not bad for kids, either. Really I'm not. I'm wonderful with kids."

"Oh, I believe you..." But I could see I was losing her a- →

gain.

"Then don't you believe that we should have rights, too?"

"Well no, honey. Because you're homosexual. And if we say that that's ok, then you'll want to stay that way."

"But why can't I be whatever way I want to be?" The frustration was returning.

"You are a sweet little thing," she said, giving my shoulder another pat. "Someday things will work out for you." She picked up her bag and started off. "Just wait. You'll come around."

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Last Saturday night
we watched t. v.
late-night monster movies
and giggling
not at the movie
but mostly at ourselves
Hands entwined,
my mother in the next room
knowing full well
we may be "caught"
at any moment--but not much caring
When time came for you to go
I brought your jacket
We embraced,
but awkwardly
and fell into our first kiss
Soft mouth fluttering
on soft mouth
reluctant to draw away
then I sent you into the cold night
with but a fresh kiss to keep you warm

Kathi

Take a look at the Copper-tone billboards on Soquel (near Shopper's Corner) and on Pacific (near Greyhound parking lot). They show a smiling, bronzed woman and they used to read "The Tan You Love To Touch." Now they read "The Tan You Love To Exploit." Yea, wimmin!

The Wishing Well, for many, has already provided an alternative to The Well Of Loneliness. Now exclusively serving our women in 50 states and 7 foreign countries, this rapidly expanding mini-magazine offers a safe space in which women can reach others with similar lifestyles. Code numbers used to insure confidentiality. The greatest portion of each issue is filled with pages of personal write-ups from currently subscribing members and often is well laced with humor in a supportive manner ...combined with many original features not found elsewhere. Published during July, October, January & April, each issue arrives discreetly in a plain sealed envelope. We invite you to take a look at our brand new Wishing Well!
Write: P.O. Box 1711, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

Pat 'n' Laddie's Ventures, Inc. and WomanShare invites you to attend Lesbian-Sexuality and Relationships Workshop and Gathering, August 16-21 in Grants Pass, Oregon. A chance to meet and make new friends, swimming, relaxation and discussion groups et cetra. Also Nov. 20-27 a 7 day Caribbean Air/Sea Cruise for gay women who dare to explore. Pat and Laddie, publishers of The Wishing Well will be your Tour Escorts. They are experienced globe-trotters, beachcombers, and romantics. They invite you to venture with them on these and other trips. For brochures: P.O.Box 1711, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

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Sagaris, Inc. is an independent, multiracial institute for the study of feminist politics. A place for theorists and activists to exchange ideas - laying the groundwork for a broadbased feminist network. This summer there are three remaining workshops:

7/10-7/23	Group Process and the Dynamics of Organizing
7/24-8/6	?? and Economics
8/7-8/20	Art and Politics

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MAIDEN ROCK

Maiden Rock, a women's learning institute, will hold one to five week sessions and weekend workshops on its farm in Wisconsin (July18 - Aug19)

Because we believe that significant learning proceeds from the inside out, we will explore self-identity and our female heritage through non-hierarchical and personalized learning. Emphasis will be on teaching ourselves new skills and upon rediscovering unrecognized woman-ability.

For more information write or call: Maiden Rock, Women's Learning Institute, Box 8587, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55408, (612) 822-2241.

Last night

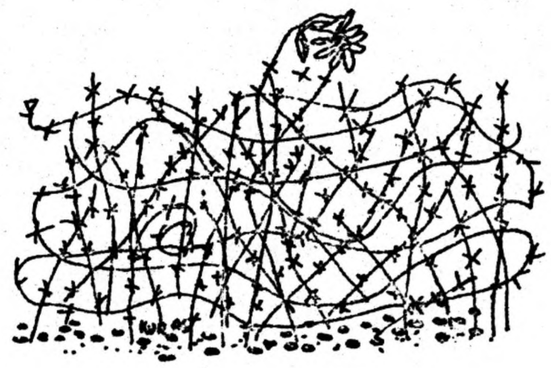
You slashed me into tiny bits
with razor-edged words
leaving shards of broken thought
scattered in your wake

You left me sitting there wondering
where to begin picking up the pieces
of my shattered self.

Today
You appeared upon my doorstep
with a dozen yellow roses
an arm full of old promises
and a smile upon your face

Now I'm standing here wondering:
when do we call off the game?

Kathi



Book Review:

My Sister, My Bride
by Edwina Mark

(a Gorgi Book- Transworld Publ. Ltd, London. originally pub. by Neville Spearnan 1956)

From the jacket:"a novel about two women with strange desires, each racing on a path to inevitable destruction.... Ever since its first publication more than ten years ago, this extraordinary novel has been in constant demand, and has become the famous 'underground' novel of lesbian love.

Well, actually it is simply pornography. The 'love' of Eve, an ugly masochistic (to the point where she has an orgasm when a man she hates spanks her) for her beautiful, sixteen-year-old sister Sheila. Lesbianism is seen as a disease or evilness which Eve suddenly discovers about herself altho everyone else seems to know by looking at her.

Sheila has a lovely body, is rather weak and timid (typically feminine shall we say?) emotionally immature(tho her white knight considers her better (older) than any woman he has ever met (meaning many--he's a sailor). She cuddles and "plays" sex with her sister → and exits a completely flat, unbelievable little traitor at the end.

The language is strictly prurient--sunsets are"daily death orgasms", Sheila's body is minutely and sexually described periodically.

The plot is incredibly sensational--drunken fights, sadistic violence, lust, seduction of the hero, abortion, shootings, graft, and eventually murder and devastation.

HOWEVER--despite all there are redeeming characteristics (I threw the book down five times but curiosity, hope and not having anything else to read got the better of me.).

First off, Dr. Rawlings is perfect--and Absolutely dishonest, quack-abortionist. He backs Eve into a corner and kindly offers to take care of all-for only $3,000. The abortion situation is dramatically and pretty acurately (emotionally) portrayed for New York in 1956.

More astonishing is the fact that Eve (the narrative is in the first person) becomes real. I found myself drawn in once the ridiculous masochism of the beginning was over (evidently just for a flamboyant start). She seems to make sense. Even the sexual tension has some reality to it in terms of the close relationship of the two sisters and the mutual hatred and fear they share of their mother. All is set in a blistering hot New York summer which helps melt the unbelievableness where passion is concerned. I was on Eve's side, right through to the end. She first gains your sympathy and then a mixture of empathy, awe and respect. Eve becomes a powerful, shrewd woman fighting her way out of a steel jaw trap.

---Charlotte---

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The Employment Project Group of the Lesbian Umbrella Organization is offering support/advice to women who are being hassled or been fired because they're lesbians. If there are well-documented cases of women in government jobs, ACLU said we might be able to take the case to court. Gay men are welcome to join the project if interested. Call 423-9192 for Sharon or Mary.

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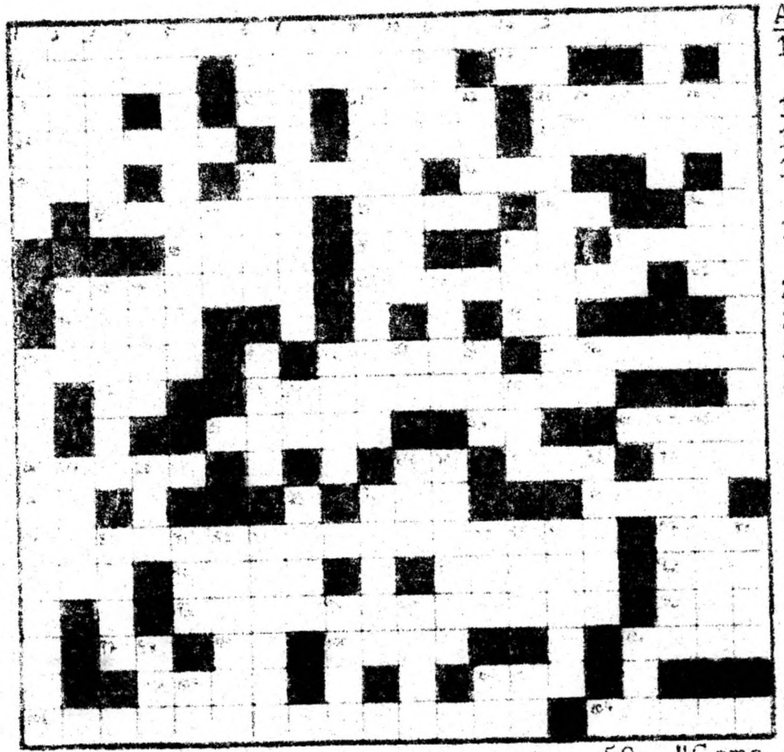
Crossword Puzzle

by Gail & Gail



ACROSS

1. feminist primer, 3 wds.
16. prostitute
17. Ms. Welty, auth:r
18. square root of 3.14
19. Shirley Chisholm ____ for President
20. train crossing, abr.
21. irritates
23. zodiac sign
27. what women aren't (opp. of useful)
28. short for Patricia
29. a "good" child
30. essential for volleyball
31. hobbit, var.
32. shade tree of the olive family
33. cross between a yeowoman and a nomad.
35. swearword
36. Calif coastal city, abbr.
37. eastern state, abbr.
38. ____yaki, japanese
39. western state, abbr.
40. earlier than 1976 tears ago
41. causes lunacy
42. Wuthering Heights author
45. asset
47. "You turn me __, I'm a radio..."
48. A ____ of One's Own by Virginia Woolf
49. mother
50. "Come to yr life like a warrior/Nothing will bore yr/ You can be _____..."
52. boyfriends
55. a bundle of queer sticks
57. Meg Christian's love: ___ teacher
58. act of bringing life into the world
61. ____ of Life
62. recognizing yr Parent, Child and Adult parts
63. guitar player's friend
66. _____ Evert, tennis star →

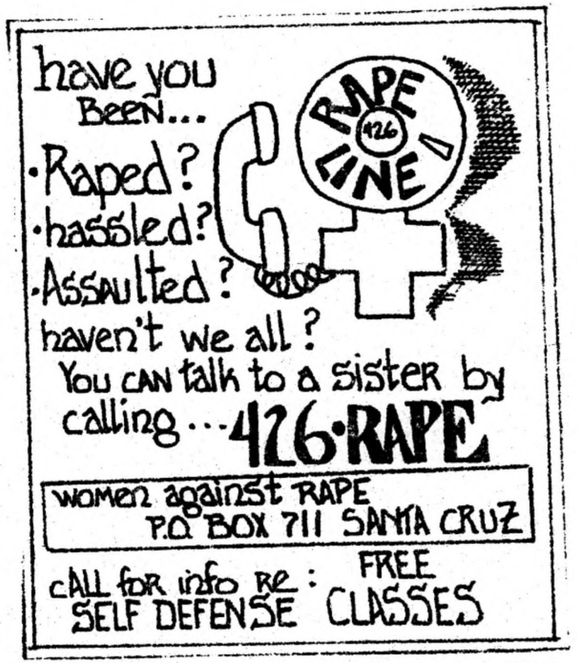
across... cont:

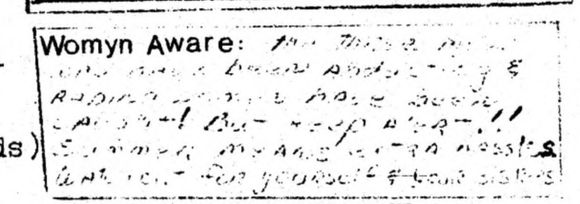
69. road, abbr.
71. embrace
73. woman renowned for her diaries
74. pronoun
76. pew, var.
78. ovaries are full of them
79. self-help promoters: S.C.'s _____ _____.
87. and so on
89. not well
90. people born between 6/24-7/23
91. haven in the desert
92. card game
93. woman of Deadwood, S.D. fame, 2 wds
96. "___ Time Woman", Holly Near song
97. small town in southwestern W. Germany
99. French article
100. name of girl child, as yet unborn
101. any of the greek goddesses who presided over lit, arts, and sciences
102. not under control or power of another
104. U.S. tax collectors
106. famous black woman, once a slave, who fought for her rights as woman and black
107. inhabitants of grave

DOWN

1. physically powerful
2. angry
3. soundness of mind
4. Jerry Brown's passion, abr.
5. often unnecessary operation performed during childbirth in hospitals
6. pronoun
7. prized possessions, 2 wds
8. how Janis died
9. don't depend on a man, __ __ _____! (3 wds)
10. annoy
11. espensive women's shop, 5th Ave N.Y.
12. ___Art
13. healing with herbs, midwivery, praising the Goddess----all part of a _____
14. like a cat
15. Jill Johnston's dream, 2wds
22. arab ruler
24. familiar sound at G.P.'s office
25. Mr. Newton, phonetically
26. chemical substance named after continent, abbr.
31. type of deer
34. catalysts of much confusion
37. shit a la child
40. lazy, good-for-nothing person
41. the woman in my life
42. should be next Amendment
43. teeny _____
44. give them enough and they'll hang themselves
46. injure a toe
50. Sisters pick up women ____
51. women have to get their ____ together
52. a blow, strike, hit(echoic) →

53. publicity
54. deposit one's behind on something
56. see 24 down
59. Karate sound
60. cheerleader sound
64. author of "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings"
65. S.F. women's band, Crystal _____ (pl)
67. shoe part
68. midwestern state, abbr.
69. herb (abortive) not to be used during pregnancy
70. red herrings
72. relative of duck, pl.
75. Socialist-Feminist_____ Luxembourg
76. to braid
80. S.F. bay area ♀ poet
81. what plants need, abbr.
82. one who helps you get well
83. Irish girl, var.
84. ___ Majal
85. George Eliot ___ __ ♀ (2wds)
86. grapes grow on them
88. system of secret symbols
94. home of sage and heather
95. guided journey
98. Cosmic Lady will be leaving on one soon
101. "Women hold up half the sky..." he said
103. Kanga's child. var.
104. neuter
105. blood factor complicating pregnancy





monday 7-11 p.m.

S.C. WOMYN'S HEALTH CENTER
Health Info and Counselling
Medical Services by Appointment
Lesbian Counsellors Available
Dr. Referrals / Medical Library
Self-help Workshop Monthly
OPEN: 10-4 M-F; 7-9 p.m. Wed.
250 LOCUST ST.
427-3500
- 24 hour phoneline -
* Ruby fruit distribution point *

Lez-be-in health notes....

"Sexual problems unique to gay women include an increased frequency of discordant sexual time tables, as usually each partner is a full-time worker, and occasional injury to the cervix by long fingernails. Lesbians in general have less access to non-judgmental sexual counseling than the general population; however in the Bay Area, there are groups specifically designed for lesbian sexuality." --Patricia Robertson, M.D.-- (May, Plexus)

Did you know that the active ingredient of Kwell is an insecticide called lindane? And that a lindane spray is marketed as an insecticide not intended for human use? Kwell is used in humans for the treatment of scabies (bugs that burrow under the skin) and for crabs. Do not use the product more than twice--once with a repeat treatment if necessary after 4-7 days. The FDA assures us that altho lindane kills young rabbits, convulsions in humans are poorly documented. But they're interested in hearing of cases.

--off our backs--

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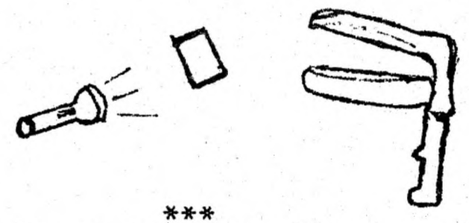

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'73 Honda 100, excellent cond., $360 or best offer. Call 423-9192, Mary.

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If every material thing of dollar value in this country were owned in equal part by each man, woman and child here, every one of us would have assets of $28,611. (SF Chron)

from 6/77 L.A. Lesbian News

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Members from the old Women's Center Collective banded together briefly to decide what to do with the money they had held on to for several years in hopes of securing another Women's Center. Finally realizing the futility of such an endeavor, they decided to redistribute the money in the following amounts:

$50--Rubyfruit Readher (yea!)
$50--Women's Coffeehouse
$75--Lesbian Umbrella Org.
$50--MotherRight
$165-an as-yet undesignated gay rights group.

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NEEDED: AN ELECTRIC TYPEWRITER WITH CARBON OR FILM RIBBON, 1½ WEEKS PER MONTH TO TYPE RUBYFRUIT READHER COPY. SELECTRIC OR ELECTRIC FINE. PLEASE CALL 426-DYKE or 426-6791 or 427-3776.

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A new booklet, "Exploring Our Sexuality" was recently written by a group of S.C. women especially for young women (jr. high age on). It has good content, beautiful graphics and is available at Mother Right Bookstore or write Linda Smith, c/o Mother Right, 538 Seabright, S.C. 95062. 10¢/copy donation.

JULY EVENTS

WRITE RISA! Box 787 Ocean Beach, N.Y. 11770 (during August)

WRITE RUBY!! Box 2386 Santa Cruz, Ca. 95063

July 2 Womyn's Coffeehouse @ Mother Right. Schedule unknown. 7:30-10:30.

" Grand Opening at You've Got Me Flying Kite Shop. All kites 20% off.

July 3 Grand Opening- see July 2 for place!!

July 4 Women's Radio Collective-"Unpatriotic Extravaganza" or "The Post-Bicentennial Blues" - with everybody. 7-11 pm. KZSC 88.1 FM.

July 8 Lesbian Umbrella Organization core group meeting. 5:30-7:30. Garage behind Community Counseling Center, 265 Water St.

" 3rd Annual Santa Cruz Womyn's Dance**Benefit for the Womyn's Coffeehouse**Dancing and partying**Music tapes by Mary McFaul**At Harvey West Park Clubhouse** Beer and Food**9 pm.to 1 am.**Admission $1.50**All womyn welcome**Childcare provided.

July 9 Sally DiGirolamo leads a Women in Leadership and Government Workshop. 1-5 pm. $2.00 for one or both days. For more info. call 423-9192. Please call ahead for childcare arrangements. (no womyn's coffeehouse tonight - go to dance last night!)

July 10 Sally DiGirolamo Workshop-see July 9 for more info.

July 11 Women's Radio Collective-"Poetry" with Alison and Hollis. 7-11pm. KZSC 88.1 FM.

July 15 Lesbian Umbrella Organization core group meeting. 5:30-7:30. Community Counseling Center Annex, 265 Water St.

July 16 Association of Libertarian Feminists sponsors a panel discussion: "Women Vs. the State: Alternatives to Paternalism". 12 noon. Sheraton-Palace Hotel, San Francisco. Special discount tickets are available at the ALF literature table at the hotel. For more info. call June Genis @ 415/494-0172 or Janice Allen @ 415/965-1776. (part of the 1977 Libertarian Party's National Convention).

" Womyn's Coffeehouse @ Mother Right. Everywomyn's poetry evening--if you've never shared your poetry before, now's the time to do it. First timers especially encouraged. 7:30-10:30.

July 17 Lesbian Umbrella Organization monthly gathering/meeting. 2-5 pm. Community Counseling Center Annex, 265 Water St. Childcare provided. Call 426-3593 ahead of time to arrange it.

July 18 Women's Radio Collective-"Women and Jazz" with Karen. 7-11 pm. KZSC 88.1 FM.

July 22 Lesbian Umbrella Organization core group meeting. 5:30-7:30. Community Counseling Center Annex, 265 Water St.

July 23 Womyn's Coffeehouse @ Mother Right. Sharing of movies, video and photos of 1977 Gay Pride Week and Parade. If you have any of these, call Kathy @ 427-2663.7:30-10:30.

July 25 Women's Radio Collective-"Women and Body Hair" with Laurie.7-11 pm. KZSC 88.1 FM.

July 29 Lesbian Umbrella Organization core group meeting. 5:30-7:30. Community Counseling Center Annex, 265 Water St.

July 30 Womyn's Coffeehouse @ Mother Right. Full moon celebration. Meet at bookstore with candles, poetry and rituals and songs. 7:30-10:30 (will probably go to beach)

August 1 Women's Radio Collective-"Nina Simone" with Anne. 7-11 pm. KZSC 88.1 FM.

August 14 (SO YOU CAN PLAN AHEAD!!) Lesbian Umbrella Organization monthly gathering/meeting. 2-5 pm. Community Counseling Center Annex, 265 Water St. Childcare provided. Call 426-3593 ahead of time to arrange it.

here comes a LESBIAN
GAY AND PROUD

Sexuality Survey

Lesbian Questionnaire

In an age of "sexual liberation" and "sexual awareness," lesbians and male homosexuals have often been conveniently forgotten or intentionally left out. Many of us wanted to talk about our experiences, but we didn't have the opportunity, or circumstances kept us silent.

This questionnaire has been prepared by lesbians and gay men as a project in self-awareness for ourselves. It is being distributed throughout the United States and Canada to as many lesbians and gay men as can be reached — literally hundreds of thousands. No survey of this magnitude has ever before been attempted, and it is our hope that the questionnaire will not only provide important information about lesbians and gay men, but also that participating in the survey will be rewarding, educational and fun for all.

A Personal Approach

Our study does not involve a "scientific" approach to homosexuality, but rather a personal one. We are not psychiatrists or social scientists; we only hope to present an honest portrait of the feelings and practices of the people who answer the questionnaire.

We encourage you to answer the questionnaire regardless of your particular situation or experience, even if you do not usually discuss your sexuality or sex life.

Selected responses to the questions, as well as statistical compilations, are expected to be published in a book in 1978 by Summit Books, a division of Simon and Schuster. The compilers of this survey are Karla Jay and Allen Young, who have previously collaborated in several anthologies of writings by lesbians and gay men, including *Out of the Closets: Voices of Gay Liberation, After You're Out,* and *Lavender Culture* (in preparation). In effect, this survey will result in an anthology with thousands of participants. The book will consist primarily of your words.

Separate questionnaires have been prepared for lesbians and gay men, and no attempt will be made to falsely correlate these experiences. Lesbian and gay male response will be identified as such at all times in any publication.

About the Questions

There are two types of questions. The questions at the beginning require multiple choice or short answers. Please write on the questionnaire itself for these. Questions in the second part ask you to tell us about your experiences and feelings. Please type or write on separate sheets of paper for these.

If you like writing only short answers, feel free to do just the short answer questions, but a few of the longer questions may appeal to you also. If you prefer longer responses, you may answer just the "essay" questions. Statistics are important, but letting us know your personal feelings and experiences is also vital to our survey. Of course we hope you will answer all questions in both parts, but if a question does not interest or apply to you, skip it. Also feel free to answer only those questions on subjects of special interest to you. You may also comment at length about any item in the short questions. In brief, any and all responses are appreciated.

Replying to this questionnaire may take a few hours, but we think that you will enjoy doing this and that the results of this survey will be extremely valuable to all of us.

Your Answers Are Anonymous

Please do not put your name on the questionnaire. Your answers are anonymous. If you want to be notified of publication, send your name and address in a separate envelope or postal card to our address. Please mail your finished questionnaire and the additional pages to **Survey, Box 98, Orange, Mass. 01364**, as soon as possible.

Please help us distribute this questionnaire. Ask us for more copies to give to your friends and acquaintances; diversity is important. If you wish more copies of the questionnaire, write to the same address. Don't forget to indicate how many copies and specify male or female questionnaire.

Mail to: Survey, Box 98, Orange, MA 01364

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Sex

(Unless specified otherwise, all of these questions refer to sex with women.)

1. How important is sex to you (check one)?
☐ very important
☐ somewhat important
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat unimportant
☐ very unimportant
☐ not sure

2. Do you feel that you place too much or too little importance on sex?
☐ too much
☐ just right
☐ too little
☐ not sure

3. Do you feel that others place too much or too little importance on sex?
☐ too much
☐ just right
☐ too little
☐ not sure

4. On the average, how often would you like to have sex?
☐ more than once a day
☐ once a day
☐ several times a week
☐ once a week
☐ several times a month
☐ once a month
☐ less frequently than once a month
☐ never
☐ not sure

5. On the average, how often do you actually have sex?
☐ more than once a day
☐ once a day
☐ several times a week
☐ once a week
☐ several times a month
☐ once a month
☐ less frequently than once a month
☐ never
☐ not sure

Emotion and Love

6. How important is emotional involvement with your partner?
☐ very important
☐ somewhat important
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat unimportant
☐ very unimportant
☐ not sure

7. When you have sex, how often does it include emotional involvement?
☐ always
☐ very frequently
☐ somewhat frequently
☐ somewhat infrequently
☐ very infrequently
☐ once
☐ never

8. Have you ever been in love?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure
If yes, how many times? .....
If not sure, how many times? .....

Specific Sexual Acts

Some of the following questions have "frequency scales." The scales refer to how often, on the average, you engage in or have engaged in certain sexual acts, no matter how often you have sex itself. For example, if you have sex less frequently than once a month but have oral sex (cunnilingus) each time you do have sex, check "always."

9. On the average, how often do you engage in each of the following aspects of cunnilingus (oral sex, clitoral or vaginal)? Check one for each item.

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. doing it to your partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. having it done to you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. you have an orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. your partner has an orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. simultaneous ("69")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. orgasm during "69"	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you engage in any of the following aspects of oral sex, indicate how you feel about the idea of each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. doing it to your partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. having it done to you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. you have an orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. your partner has an orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. simultaneous ("69")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. orgasm during "69"	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

10. How do you feel about the following aspects of female genitals?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. smell of your own	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. feel of your own	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. appearance of your own	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. smell of others	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. feel of others	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. appearance of others	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. taste of others	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

11. How often do you engage in any of the following aspects of tribadism (rubbing of genitals against partner)?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. lying on top of partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. partner lies on top of you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. rub against each other's thighs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. you rub on partner's pelvic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. partner rubs on your pelvic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. you rub on partner's pubic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. partner rubs on your pubic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. rub clitoral areas together	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. any of these to the point of orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you engage in any of the following aspects of tribadism (rubbing), indicate how you feel about the idea of each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. lying on top of partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. partner lies on top of you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. rub against each other's thighs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. you rub on partner's pelvic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. partner rubs on your pelvic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. you rub on partner's pubic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. partner rubs on your pubic bone	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. rub clitoral areas together	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. any of these to the point of orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

12. On the average, how often do your sexual experiences involve any of the following aspects of manual stimulation ("mutual masturbation")?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. partner stimulates your clitoris/clitoral area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. partner stimulates your vaginal area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. partner stimulates your anus	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. partner stimulates herself	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. you stimulate your partner's clitoris/clitoral area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. you stimulate your partner's vaginal area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. you stimulate your partner's anus	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. you stimulate yourself	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. any of these to the point of orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you engage in any of the following aspects of mutual stimulation, how do you feel about each of them?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. partner stimulates your clitoris/clitoral area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. partner stimulates your vaginal area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. partner stimulates your anus	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. partner stimulates herself	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. you stimulate your partner's clitoris/clitoral area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. you stimulate your partner's vaginal area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. you stimulate your partner's anus	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. you stimulate yourself	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. any of these to the point of orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

13. How often do you engage in either of the following aspects of analingus ("rimming" — stimulation of the anus with the lips and tongue)?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. rimming your partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. being rimmed	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you engage in analingus, how do you feel about either of these?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. rimming your partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. being rimmed	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

14. On the average, how often do you engage in the following aspects of kissing?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. kiss on lips only	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. get kissed on lips only	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. soul kiss (deep kiss, French kiss)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. partner soul kisses you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. you refuse to kiss partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. partner refuses to kiss you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you engage in the following aspects of kissing, indicate how you feel about the idea of each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. kiss on lips only	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. get kissed on lips only	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. soul kiss (deep kiss, French kiss)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. partner soul kisses you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. you refuse to kiss partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. partner refuses to kiss you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

15. On the average, how important for your satisfaction is the stimulation of each of the following parts of your body by your partner?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. your clitoris	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. your clitoral area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. outer vaginal area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. vagina	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. pubic bone, mons Veneris	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. breasts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. ears, neck, toes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. anus	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment:

On the average, how important for your satisfaction is it for you to stimulate each of the following parts of your partner's body?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. clitoris	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. clitoral area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. outer vaginal area	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. vagina	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. pubic bone, mons Veneris	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. breasts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. ears, neck, toes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. anus	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment:

Other Sexual Styles

16. On the average, during sex with another woman, how often do you use the following items?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. hand-held dildo ("penis imitation")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. strap-on dildo	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. battery vibrator	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. electric vibrator (cord)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. oils	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. pornography	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you use any of the following during sex, indicate how you feel about the idea of each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. hand-held dildo ("penis imitation")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. strap-on dildo	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. battery vibrator	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. electric vibrator (cord)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. oils	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. pornography	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

17. On the average, how often do your sexual experiences include the following? (check for each one)

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. sado-masochism (S&M)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. bondage and discipline (B&D)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. humiliation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. "talking dirty"	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. fist-fucking	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. clothing fetishes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. foot fetishism	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. urination ("water sports")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. defecation ("scat")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. enemas	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. sex with animals (bestiality)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. "threesomes"	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. orgies or group sex	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you experience any of the following, indicate how you feel about the idea of each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. sado-masochism (S&M)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. bondage and discipline (B&D)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. humiliation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. "talking dirty"	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. fist-fucking	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. clothing fetishes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. foot fetishism	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. urination ("water sports")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. defecation ("scat")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. enemas	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. sex with animals (bestiality)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. "threesomes"	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. orgies or group sex	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

18. a. Have you ever forced another woman to have sex with you against her will?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, how many times? .....
b. Have you ever been forced by another woman to have sex against your will?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, how many times? .....

Whether or not you have done either of the following, indicate how you feel about the idea of each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. forcing someone to have sex with you	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. being forced to have sex against your will	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Brief comment:

19. How often, in connection with attracting sex partners, do you wear any of the following items?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. skirts and/or dresses	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. unisex clothing, blue jeans, etc.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. drag butch clothing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. make-up	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. cigars, pipes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you wear any of the following items, how do you feel about the idea of each of them?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. skirts and/or dresses	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. unisex clothing, blue jeans, etc.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. drag butch clothing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. make-up	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. cigars, pipes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Brief comment or experience:

20. How often do your sex partners wear any of the following items?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. skirts and/or dresses	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. unisex clothing, blue jeans, etc.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. drag butch clothing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. make-up	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. cigars, pipes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not your sex partners use the following items, how do you feel about the idea of sex partners who use them?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. skirts and/or dresses	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. unisex clothing, blue jeans, etc.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. drag butch clothing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. make-up	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. cigars, pipes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Age

21. How often do you have sex with women or girls of the following ages? (check for each one)

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. 65+	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. 55-64	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. 45-54	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. 35-44	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. 30-34	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. 25-29	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. 20-24	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. 16-19	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. 13-15	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. 9-12	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. under 9	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you have sex with any of the following age groups, indicate how you feel about the idea of having sex with each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. 65+	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. 55-64	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. 45-54	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. 35-44	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. 30-34	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. 25-29	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. 20-24	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. 16-19	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. 13-15	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. 9-12	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. under 9	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Brief comment or experience:

22. How much does what you do to your partner "turn you on"?
☐ quite a lot
☐ some
☐ very little
☐ none at all
☐ not sure

23. On the average, during sex, do you feel that you are more physically active than your partner?
☐ much more active
☐ a little more active
☐ the same
☐ a little less active
☐ much less active

24. How often do you ask your partner for what you want done to you?
☐ always
☐ very frequently
☐ somewhat frequently
☐ somewhat infrequently
☐ very infrequently
☐ once
☐ never

Where Do You Have Sex

25. On the average, how often do you have sex in each of the following places?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. your home	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. your partner's home	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. a friend's home	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. car	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. van or camper	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. tent	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. motel or hotel	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. secluded woods or fields	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. barn or farm building	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you have sex in any of these places, indicate how you feel about the idea of having sex in each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. your home	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. your partner's home	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. a friend's home	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. car	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. van or camper	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. tent	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. motel or hotel	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. secluded woods or field	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. barn or farm building	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

26. While having sex, how important is each of the following?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. privacy	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. lack of privacy	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Brief comment or experience:

27. How often do you spend the whole night with your sex partner?
☐ always
☐ very frequently
☐ somewhat frequently
☐ somewhat infrequently
☐ very infrequently
☐ once
☐ never
Comment on why or why not:

28. How often has a sexual encounter been terminated because . . .

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. you would not perform a particular sexual act your partner wanted	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. your partner would not perform a particular sexual act you wanted	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment briefly:

29. How often do you go home to have sex with someone you have just met? How often, when you are going home with someone for the first time, do you determine in advance whether or not you are going to have sex with her?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. go home with stranger	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. determine whether or not sex will take place	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you do either of the following, how do you feel about each of them?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. go home with stranger	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. determine whether or not sex will take place	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Brief comment or experience:

30. How often do you use the following in association with sex?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. alcohol	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. marijuana	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. psychedelics (LSD, mushrooms, mescaline)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. "uppers" (speed, amphetamine)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. quaaludes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. "downers" (barbituates, tranquilizers)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. heroin	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. cocaine	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. amyl nitrite ("poppers," "aroma")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you use any of the following, how do you feel about their use in association with sex?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. alcohol	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. marijuana	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. psychedelics (LSD, mushrooms, mescaline)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. "uppers" (speed, amphetamine)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. quaaludes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. "downers" (barbituates, tranquilizers)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. heroin	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. cocaine	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. amyl nitrite ("poppers," "aroma")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

31. Have you ever refused to have sex with a partner because . . .

a. she used any of these?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, specify which one(s) . . . . . .

b. she would not join you in the use of any of these.
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, specify which one(s) . . . . . .

32. How often have you had the following venereal diseases (VD) or sex-related maladies?

	never	once	twice	three times	more than three times	not sure
a. syphilis ("siff")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. gonorrhea ("clap")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. lice ("crabs")	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. scabies	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

How often does the fear of venereal disease influence any of the following?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. your choice of sex partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. sexual acts you engage in	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. how often you have sex	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment:

Fantasies

33. How often do you fantasize?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. during sex with a partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. during masturbation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you fantasize, how do you feel about the idea of fantasizing . . .

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. during sex with a partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. during masturbation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

34. Are you secretive about any specific aspects of your sex life, even though you may be openly lesbian?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, indicate briefly which aspects you keep secret and why:

Orgasms

35. How important is having orgasms to you?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. during sex with a partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. during masturbation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

36. How often do you have an orgasm?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. during sex with a partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. during masturbation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

How often do you have multiple orgasms?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. during sex with a partner	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. during masturbation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

37. How important is it to you whether your partner has orgasm(s) during sex with you?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. one orgasm	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. multiple orgasms	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

38. When having sex with a woman, how often do you fake or have you faked orgasm?
☐ always
☐ very frequently
☐ somewhat frequently
☐ somewhat infrequently
☐ very infrequently
☐ once
☐ never

39. On the average, how do you feel about the quality of the sexual experiences you have with women (without reference to how often you have sex)?
☐ completely satisfied
☐ very satisfied
☐ somewhat satisfied
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat dissatisfied
☐ very dissatisfied
☐ completely dissatisfied
☐ not sure

Sex With Men

40. How often have you had or do you have sex with men?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. in the past	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. currently	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

41. How do you feel about sex with men?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. your past experiences	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. your current experiences	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

42. Have you considered or do you consider yourself bi-sexual?
a. in the past . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
b. in the present . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No

Masturbation

43. On the average, how often do you masturbate?
☐ more than once a day
☐ once a day
☐ several times a week
☐ once a week
☐ several times a month
☐ once a month
☐ less frequently than once a month
☐ never
☐ not sure

How do you feel about masturbation?
☐ very positive
☐ somewhat positive
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat negative
☐ very negative
☐ not sure

44. How often do you use any of the following in connection with masturbation?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. hand-held dildo	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. strap-on dildo	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. battery vibrator	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. electric vibrator (cord)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. oils	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. pornography	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Affection

45. How often do you engage in physical affection (hugging, cuddling, caressing, kissing) with each of the following?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. lovers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. sex partners	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. lesbian friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. gay male friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. straight women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. men in general	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. parents	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. other relatives	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you engage in physical affection with any of the following, indicate how you feel about the idea of physical affection with each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. lovers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. sex partners	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. lesbian friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. gay male friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. straight women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. men in general	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. parents	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. other relatives	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Relationships

46. In the past or the present, what is the longest you have been in a relationship with one lesbian lover? Specify length of time .....

Do you now have a lover or "womanfriend" or "girlfriend"? ☐ Yes ☐ No

How long have you been with your current lover? .....

On the average, how often do you have sex together? .....

Do you live together? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Briefly indicate why or why not .....

47. Do you consider or have you considered yourself "married" to another woman?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure Comment.

Have you ever had a lesbian marriage ceremony? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Whether or not you are in or have been in a lesbian marriage, what is your attitude toward it?
☐ strongly favor
☐ somewhat favor
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat oppose
☐ strongly oppose
☐ not sure

48. How often do you "role play" (butch/femme, masculine/feminine, husband/wife, dominant/submissive) in your relationship?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. sexually	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. other than sexually	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

49. How often do you relate to a certain "type"?
☐ always
☐ very frequently
☐ somewhat frequently
☐ somewhat infrequently
☐ very infrequently
☐ once
☐ never

50. How important is each of the following, in terms of what you look for or what you avoid, when you seek a sex partner?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. age	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. height	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. weight	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. build	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. "looks" in general	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. eyes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. nose	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. lips	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. complexion	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. facial hair	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. head hair	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. body hair	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. breasts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. legs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
o. buttocks (ass)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
p. hygiene, cleanliness or lack of it	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
q. clothing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
r. race	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
s. social class	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
t. educational level	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
u. religion or spiritual orientation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
v. political views	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
w. overall personality	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
x. masculinity/femininity, butch/femme	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
y. intelligence	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
z. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

If you have checked "very important" for any of the above, indicate specifically what things you are looking for or avoiding. (Attach separate piece of paper if you need more room.) .....

How many different sex partners or lovers have you had in the past week? ..... In the past month? ..... In the past 12 months? ..... In your lifetime? .....

51. How often do you meet other lesbians in each of the following places?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. bars	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. at work	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. at school	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. neighborhood	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. parties	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. gay dances (mixed men and women), other than bars	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. lesbian or all-women's dances, other than bars	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. social groups	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. political groups	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. through friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. gym, "Y," sports	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. church	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. personal ads	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you meet other lesbians in any of these places, indicate how you feel about the idea of meeting lesbians in each of them.

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. bars	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. at work	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. at school	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. neighborhood	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. parties	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. gay dances (mixed men and women), other than bars	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. lesbian or all-women's dances, other than bars	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. social groups	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. political groups	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. through friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. gym, "Y," sports	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. church	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. personal ads	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

52. How active (you do the "picking up") or passive (you get "picked up") are you in seeking a relationship or a sex partner?
☐ very active
☐ somewhat active
☐ equal
☐ somewhat passive
☐ very passive
☐ not sure

53. How often have you paid for sex with a woman?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. with money	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. in other ways (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you have paid for sex, how do you feel about the idea of paying for sex

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. with money	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. in other ways (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment:

54. How often have you been paid for sex?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. with money	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. in other ways (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you have been paid for sex with money or in other ways, how do you feel about the idea of receiving money or other benefits for sex?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. receiving money	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. receiving other benefits (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment:

Self-Image

55. How do you feel about each of the following aspects of your body?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. height	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. weight	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. build	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. "looks" in general	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. how people perceive your age	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. facial hair	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. eyes	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. nose	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. lips	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. complexion	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. head hair	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. body hair	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. breasts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. legs	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
o. buttocks (ass)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
p. genitals	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
r. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

If you have checked "very positive" or "very negative" to any of the above, specify what there is about each thing that you intensely like or dislike. (Attach separate paper if you need more room.) .....

56. How do you feel about aging?
☐ very positive
☐ somewhat positive
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat negative
☐ very negative
☐ not sure

57. In general, how do you feel about the use of the categories or labels masculine/feminine, butch/femme?
☐ very positive
☐ somewhat positive
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat negative
☐ very negative
☐ not sure

Coming Out

58. What is your age now? .....

At what age did you first realize that you were a lesbian or somehow sexually "different"? .....

At what age did you associate this "difference" with lesbian acts? .....

At what age did you have your first lesbian experience? .....

How many years have you been a "practicing lesbian"? .....

59. At what age did you first tell anyone other than your sexual partners about your lesbianism? .....

Indicate who (relationship) .....

Indicate calendar year .....

If you have told no one, briefly indicate why:

60. How many of the following (if applicable) know about your lesbianism?

	All (Yes)	Most	Some	Only One	None (No)	Not sure
a. lesbian friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. gay male friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. straight friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. neighbors	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. employer	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. teacher	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. co-workers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. schoolmates	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. your employees	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. mother	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. father	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. sisters and brothers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. your children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other relatives	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
o. other children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

61. How important is it for you to keep your lesbianism a secret from each of the following (see also next question)?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. lesbian friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. gay male friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. straight friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. neighbors	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. employer	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. teacher	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. co-workers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. schoolmates	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. your employees	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. mother	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. father	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. sisters and brothers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. your children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other relatives	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
o. other children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

62. How important is it for you to purposely communicate the fact that you are a lesbian to each of the following?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. lesbian friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. gay male friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. straight friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. neighbors	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. employer	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. teacher	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. co-workers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. schoolmates	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. your employees	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. mother	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. father	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. sisters and brothers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. your children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other relatives	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
o. other children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

63. Of those who know you are a lesbian, what has been the reaction of each of the following to that fact? (answer for those that are applicable).

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. lesbian friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. gay male friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. straight friends	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. neighbors	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. employer	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. teacher	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. co-workers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. schoolmates	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. your employees	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. mother	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. father	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. sisters and brothers	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
m. your children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
n. other relatives	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
o. other children	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

64. How do you feel about people who you perceive to be "in the closet" (secretive)?
☐ very positive
☐ somewhat positive
☐ neutral
☐ somewhat negative
☐ very negative
☐ not sure

65. How do you feel about people who you perceive to be "blatantly gay"?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. those who are politically outspoken	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. those who physically appear to be "obvious" homosexuals and lesbians	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment:

66. Do you feel that most people can tell instantly that you are a lesbian?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure

Briefly comment on your answer.

Society

67. Do you ever or have you ever experienced any of the following in connection with your lesbianism?

	quite a lot	some	very little	once	none at all	not sure
a. harassment	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. loss of job	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. forced to move	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. arrest	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. blackmail or threat of blackmail	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. physical abuse	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. verbal abuse, name-calling	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
h. robbery	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
i. shakedown	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
j. shame, guilt	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
k. fear of discovery	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
l. other (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

How do you feel about your experience(s) in therapy?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. straight therapist	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. lesbian therapist	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. feminist therapist	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. don't know sexuality of therapist	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. other factor (specify)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

68. Have you ever gone to a psychiatrist or psychologist to be "cured" of your lesbianism?
☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, how long did you spend, or have you spent, in this kind of treatment? .....

If you could take a pill to make you straight, would you do it?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure

Are you currently seeing a therapist, psychiatrist or psychologist for any reason?
☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, state briefly what reason.

69. Have you ever attempted or seriously contemplated suicide?
☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, was this experience related to your lesbianism?
☐ Yes ☐ No

70. How much is your lesbianism something other than a sexual orientation?
☐ quite a lot
☐ some
☐ very little
☐ none at all
☐ not sure
Comment:

71. How important are the concepts of lesbian and/or gay community, and lesbian and/or gay culture to you?

	very important	somewhat important	neutral	somewhat unimportant	very unimportant	not sure
a. gay community	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. lesbian community	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. gay culture	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. lesbian culture	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

72. How often do you socialize with each of the following?

	always	very frequently	somewhat frequently	somewhat infrequently	very infrequently	once	never
a. lesbians	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. straight women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. gay men	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. straight men	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. bi-sexual women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. bi-sexual men	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

73. How do you feel about each of the following?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. lesbians	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. straight women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. gay men	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. straight men	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. bi-sexual women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. bi-sexual men	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

74. How much of your time do you spend in each of the following environments?

	quite a lot	some	very little	none at all	not sure
a. lesbians only	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. women only (lesbians and straight women)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. gay only (lesbians and male homosexuals, mixed	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. mixed straight and gay, men and women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Whether or not you spend time in any of the following environments, how do you feel about each of them?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. lesbians only	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. women only (lesbians and straight women)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. gay only (lesbians and male homosexuals mixed)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. mixed straight and gay, men and women	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Comment:

75. If you are legally married to a man, check any of the following that apply.
- ☐ living with husband, and he knows about my lesbianism
- ☐ living with husband, but he doesn't know about my lesbianism
- ☐ living with husband, and I'm not sure whether or not he knows
- ☐ marriage of convenience (to help me pass for straight)
- ☐ marriage of convenience (for inheritance or gifts, for immigration, etc.)

How do you feel about your marriage?
- ☐ completely satisfied
- ☐ very satisfied
- ☐ somewhat satisfied
- ☐ neutral
- ☐ somewhat dissatisfied
- ☐ very dissatisfied
- ☐ completely dissatisfied
- ☐ not sure

Comment:

76. Are you separated or divorced? (check one, if applicable).
☐ Separated ☐ Divorced

Was your lesbianism a major factor in your separation or divorce?
☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not sure

Children

77. Do you have children?
☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, how many? .....

Whether or not you have children, what is your attitude, in general, toward children?
- ☐ very positive
- ☐ somewhat positive
- ☐ neutral
- ☐ somewhat negative
- ☐ very negative
- ☐ not sure

78. Has custody been an issue for you?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, comment briefly on your situation.

79. Has any aspect of visiting rights been an issue for you?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, comment briefly on your situation.

80. Do you participate in the rearing of children, even though they are not your own biologically?
☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, briefly explain this arrangement

How do you feel about this arrangement?
- ☐ completely satisfied
- ☐ very satisfied
- ☐ somewhat satisfied
- ☐ neutral
- ☐ somewhat dissatisfied
- ☐ very dissatisfied
- ☐ completely dissatisfied
- ☐ not sure

81. If you don't have children, how do you feel about being childless?
- ☐ very positive
- ☐ somewhat positive
- ☐ neutral
- ☐ somewhat negative
- ☐ very negative
- ☐ not sure

Politics

82. How do you feel about each of the following?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. women in dresses and skirts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. women in blue jeans, unisex, etc.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. women in drag butch, "very masculine" clothing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
d. male transvestites	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
e. drag shows, entertainment	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
f. men in colorful, stylish or unisex clothing	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
g. men in "butch" clothing, uniforms, etc.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

83. In general, which word do you consider the most appropriate (best) word to be used for lesbians? (check one).
- ☐ lesbian
- ☐ homosexual
- ☐ female homosexual
- ☐ gay
- ☐ gay woman
- ☐ homophile
- ☐ other (specify) .....

84. How would you describe yourself politically? (check one or more).
- ☐ Democrat
- ☐ Republican
- ☐ independent
- ☐ conservative
- ☐ liberal
- ☐ moderate
- ☐ radical
- ☐ apolitical
- ☐ anarchist
- ☐ socialist (specify tendency or group, if applicable) .....
- ☐ feminist
- ☐ women's liberationist
- ☐ matriarchist
- ☐ separatist
- ☐ dyke separatist
- ☐ "third world" liberationist (specify group, if applicable) .....
- ☐ libertarian
- ☐ environmentalist
- ☐ revolutionary
- ☐ humanist
- ☐ pacifist
- ☐ gay liberationist
- ☐ other (specify) .....

85. How do you feel about each of the following?

	very positive	somewhat positive	neutral	somewhat negative	very negative	not sure
a. gay liberation (mixed male and female)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. lesbian liberation (independent lesbian efforts)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

86. In what year did you first hear about any organized efforts for gay liberation or lesbian liberation?
(indicate calendar year) .....

How did you first hear about such efforts?

To what extent, if any, have you become involved with each of the following?

	quite a lot	some	very little	none at all	not sure
a) gay liberation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b) lesbian liberation	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

87. Do you feel that the repeal of laws against homosexual and lesbian acts and/or the enactment of anti-discrimination legislation in your state, neighboring state (or province), or nationally, will make your life better?
- ☐ quite a lot
- ☐ some
- ☐ very little
- ☐ none at all
- ☐ not sure

How much have you worked for such reform(s)?
- ☐ quite a lot
- ☐ some
- ☐ very little
- ☐ none at all
- ☐ not sure

Statistical Information

The following group of questions is for statistical purposes, to find out more about the kind of people who answer the questionnaire. In no way is this designed to infringe on anyone's anonymity. Of course, you may leave any of these blank.

88. What is your age? .....

89. What is your race or ethnic group? .....

90. What was your religious upbringing? .....

91. What is your present religion or spiritual orientation? .....

92. What was your annual income for 1976?
- ☐ less than $5,000
- ☐ between $5,000 and $9,999
- ☐ between $10,000 and $14,999
- ☐ between $15,000 and $24,999
- ☐ $25,000 or more
- ☐ not sure

93. What is your occupation? .....

Describe briefly the kind of work you do .....
.....

94. Indicate your educational level:
- ☐ some grade school
- ☐ completed grade school
- ☐ completed 9, 10, or 11 grades
- ☐ completed 12 grades
- ☐ some college
- ☐ college graduate
- ☐ some graduate school
- ☐ graduate degree

95. Do you have brothers and sisters?
How many brothers? .....
How many sisters? .....

96. Do you have any relatives who are homosexual or lesbian? Indicate relationship.
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.....

97. Where do you live?
Name of state or province .....
Name of town or city .....
(or nearby town)

98. What sort of a place do you live in?
☐ rural or small town
☐ small city
☐ medium-sized city
☐ large city
☐ major metropolitan center
☐ suburb

99. Where did you get this questionnaire? Please be specific. .....
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Part Two

The following questions ask you in detail about your experiences and feelings. Please type or write on separate sheets of paper for these. Remember, we will be delighted if you answer all the questions, but if a question does not interest or apply to you, skip it. Also feel free to answer only those questions on subjects of special interest to you.

Sexual Experiences

1. a) Tell us about a very pleasing love-making experience that you have had with a sex partner or lover. What is it that you do from beginning to end? How does each thing feel to you? Please indicate how long it takes; describe movements and positions used by you and your partner(s). Be precise: try to include such things as leg positions, body position, movements, and other factors important to you such as roughness or gentleness, sounds, clothing, lighting, etc. Re-reading questions 6 through 39 may help you answer this. b) Indicate your feelings about this experience. c) If you haven't had a *real* experience that you consider pleasing, tell us about an imaginary one but be sure to indicate that it is imaginary.

2. a) Describe your feelings about the following sex acts. What do you like about them? How do they feel to you? Feel free to express strong preferences or passions and to tell about things you hate or absolutely won't do.
Cunnilingus (oral sex)
Tribadism (rubbing of genitals against partner)
Manual stimulation
Analingus (rimming)
Kissing
b) Have your feelings about these acts changed over time and if so, how?

3. How do you feel about female genitals (their smell, appearance and feel) — your own and others?

4. How do you feel about the size, appearance and feel of breasts — your own and others?

5. What are your feelings about menstruation? Does it affect your sex life and if so, how?

6. Tell us about your general feelings and experiences with the list of practices included in Question 17, Part One. Which ones do you like or hate, and why?

7. How do you feel about "toys" — dildos, vibrators, oils, pornography and others? Are they important to your sex life?

8. Relate any feelings and experiences concerning anxieties, "hang-ups," compulsions, blocks, repressions, special needs, handicaps, problems with sexual performance or functioning, problems with the frequency of sex or the quality or skill of your sex partners, that you have had in regard to your general sex life or specific sexual acts.

9. Tell us about the importance of sex in your life. Do you feel that too much or too little importance is placed on sex by you or by others, and why do you feel that way?

10. a) What is the importance of emotion to you sexually? Do you have sex with or without emotional involvement, or both? b) What is the connection between love and sex? Comment. c) Have you ever been in love? Can you describe your feelings of being in love, of being loved? Of not being in love, or not being loved? Of wanting love, of not wanting love?

11. Describe your funniest, scariest and/or most unusual sexual experience with another woman.

12. If you fantasize during sex or masturbation, describe your most favorite or most common fantasy or fantasies, and your feelings about them. Be specific as to people, situations, places, circumstances, etc., whether real or imaginary (indicate which). If you don't fantasize, what are your feelings about fantasies?

13. a) Tell us about your childhood "crushes" or sexual feelings directed toward other children or adults. Recall your own experiences and feelings as a child and people's responses to those experiences or feelings. b) Regardless of your own childhood experiences, how do you feel now about childhood sexuality in general?

14. a) Tell how you masturbate. Be specific. What parts of your body do you stimulate? With what and how? Indicate positions, movements and other important aspects such as lighting, music, pornography. How often do you masturbate? How long does it take? b) How does masturbation feel to you? c) How do you feel about masturbation in general, and how have these feelings changed over time?

Relationships

15. Tell about any present or past relationship with a lover or "womanfriend." a) How often do you have sex? How do you feel about the quality and intensity of your sexual relationship? b) Do you live together? Why or why not? c) Do you have sex outside of that relationship and how does outside sex or the lack of it affect the relationship? Do you have an agreement about "fidelity" or the lack of it? Comment. d) If you don't have a lover, would you like one? Why or why not? e) What do you like or dislike about having a lover and/or being single?

16. Do you "role-play" (butch/femme, masculine/feminine, husband/wife) in your relationships with other women, sexually as well as other than sexually? If you do, tell about who does what and how you feel about it. What do you like or dislike about role-playing in your relationships or in relationships you observe?

17. a) Do you have a "type" that you prefer sexually? Tell us about your type. Referring to the list in question 50, tell in detail what attributes are important, whether they are things you look for or things you avoid. b) Do you relate only to that certain type? What happens when you don't find your type? c) Whether or not you have a type, what do you like or dislike about the idea of having a type? d) Tell about the important factors, if any, for you in choosing a sex partner or lover? (Refer to question 50.)

18. a) Tell about the process of meeting other lesbians. In what ways are you shy and/or outgoing? Insecure and/or self-confident? b) What are your experiences, if any, with making sexual advances toward women when you are not certain they are gay? c) How do you feel about cruising, courtship, one-night stands, "promiscuity," etc. d) How important are the various places where lesbians meet (see list in question 51), regardless of whether or not you use these places? e) Tell about any positive or negative experiences you have had meeting other lesbians.

Self-Image

19. a) In what ways do you consider yourself "attractive" or "unattractive"? Tell about your feelings and experiences relating to your looks. b) How do you feel others relate to your body or to specific aspects of your body (refer to list in question 55). c) Do you feel you are a sex object?

20. a) Do you consider yourself masculine ("butch") or feminine ("femme"), or both, or neither? In what ways? b) Which physical characteristics, personality traits, activities, etc., do you identify as masculine or feminine? c) Do you think others identify you as masculine or feminine? d) How do you feel about these categories or labels, and what importance do these categories have to your self-identity?

21. a) Tell us your experiences with and feelings about your sexual "coming out" and/or "being in the closet." b) At what age and under what circumstances did you first realize that you were a lesbian or somehow sexually "different" from other people? c) At what age and under what circumstances did you have your first lesbian experience, and how did you deal with it? d) Tell us about your sexual evolution from that first experience to now.

22. a) What has been your experience, if any, with telling other people that you are gay? When did you first tell other people that you are a lesbian and whom did you tell? b) In your daily life now, which people do you tell, how do you tell them, and what has been their response? Refer to question 60. If any experience was particularly important or interesting, tell about it in detail. c) Indicate your experience with and feelings about keeping your lesbianism secret. What do you like or dislike about being "out of the closet" or "in the closet"? What do you like or dislike about others who are "out of the closet" or "in the closet"?

23. a) How do you feel now about your lesbianism? b) How have these feelings changed over time? c) What has influenced these feelings and any changes in them?

You and Society

24. a) How do you feel that you have been oppressed (if at all) as a lesbian? Refer to question 67. b) In what ways has your lesbianism, or the fear of being discovered, been a factor, an aid or a hindrance, in your employment, schooling, housing, social status? c) How has the relationship between your lesbianism and any of these changed over time, and what influenced that change?

25. a) How would you describe yourself politically? How does your lesbianism interact with your politics, if at all, including any involvement you may have with other political groups or movements (refer to list in question 84)? b) Tell about your experiences with gay liberation and/or lesbian liberation. What have you liked or disliked about such experiences?

26. How has feminism or the women's movement had an impact on or changed your sexual practices, values or identity?

27. Please tell us something about the following topics. If you have strong feelings about them, or any interesting experiences, please share them with us.
a. celibacy
b. sexual experiences with men, especially as these experiences compare to sex with women
c. bi-sexuality
d. marriage
e. children, being childless
f. drugs
g. transvestism, cross-dressing
h. transsexualism (sex-change surgery)
i. therapy
j. suicide
k. race, class, age differences
l. aging
m. physical "handicaps"
n. pornography
o. sexual jealousy
p. monogamy
q. lovers' quarrels, including violence
r. violence in the lesbian community, bars
s. sex in prison
t. influence of religion on your sexuality
u. incest
v. residence (gay neighborhood, rural vs. urban, etc.)

28. a) What do you think of this questionnaire? b) What in it made you pause and think? Why? Do you feel that we have omitted any important questions? If so, indicate the questions and your answers. c) As a lesbian, is there anything you would like more information on? d) Did answering parts of this questionnaire turn you on? Make you feel good? Feel bad? Feel angry? e) Comment.

Thank you very much.

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