

VERMONT AREA RESOURCES will be back in October!! We are in the process of updating our member list. Please contact us if you know of an address that is incorrect or has changed. Unless we can confirm that these organizations are in existence at the

listed address, we will be dropping them from the page.

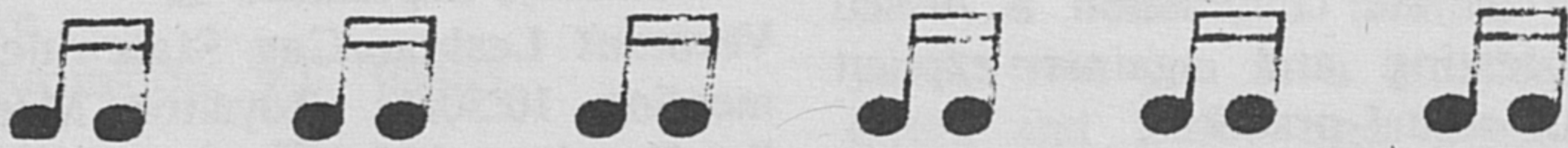
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Gertrude and Alice

involvement with her can ultimately be painful for you. Further, Gert thinks that cuddling in cozy quarters usually leads to other activities, so don't risk it. Alice thinks that acknowledging mutual attraction in a situation like this can be a good idea and ease tension. Acknowledging does not equal acting upon. By no means give up on cuddling. Some people can enjoy simply cuddling with someone they find attractive, others can't. We both think since this person has told you about this other relationship, you should try to respect it. As for the bed thing, offer her a choice. Tell her you would like the company but you understand if she prefers a little more space. A good sense of humor will help you get through the visit with all parties happy.

Dear Gertrude and Alice,

My ex-lover (who is also my best friend) and a very good friend have

recently become lovers. I'm feeling really torn between being happy for them and really angry over the whole thing. They want me to get together with them but I don't know. I'm feeling hurt and left out, like I'm losing my best friend. Are friends less important than lovers? That's what this feels like. Does it have to be that way? What can I do? Should I do anything or just let what's happening happen and roll with the punches, (which hurt a lot)?

A Friend Scorned in S. Burlington

Dear Scorned,

Isn't it hard to be a nice guy? To some people, friends are less important than lovers, but not to everyone. Sometimes it's just a phase when the relationship is new, (though of course it still hurts). What can you do? Well there's not a lot you can do. You can explain how you feel. (Yea, it the (yawn) Gert and Alice standard solution -Talk!) We advise you avoid getting together with both of them by yourself. Threesomes can be so painful. Ask them separately to do things with you. And when you're alone with one of them, comment on how much you like it that your friends don't spend all their time talking about their love lives. If you have to be with both of them, bring a friend. Time may help. Don't feel pressured to accommodate them. Niceness has its limits. Meanwhile, be careful about introducing friends to each other.

To send your queer queries to Gertrude and Alice, write c/o Out in the Mountains, P.O. Box 438, Hinesburg, VT 05461.

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March On Washington

7. AIDS MEMORIAL PROJECT: Sun., Oct. 11. The Names Project is creating a national AIDS Memorial composed of thousands of individual 3' by 6' fabric panels, each inscribed with the name of someone lost to AIDS. The panels will be assembled into one massive expanse of names and displayed across the Capital Mall. Information; Vt. CARES PO Box 5248 Burlington, Vt. 05404. 863-2437.

8. NATIONAL LESBIAN/GAY RIGHTS CONGRESS PLANNING MEETING: Mon. Oct. 12. Plans will be initiated for a 1988 nationwide Congress of lesbians and gay men, to show our diversity, to establish our priorities and to devise strategies for accomplishing them.

9. CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE FOR LESBIAN AND GAY RIGHTS: Tuesday, Oct. 13. A non-violent Civil Disobedience Action at the Supreme Court to demand full civil rights for lesbians and gay men; a powerful statement of resistance and hope for love and justice for all.

10. BICENTENNIAL PROTESTS IN PHILADELPHIA: The Philadelphia Lesbian & Gay Task Force is organizing protest demonstrations for Sept. 17 (U.S. Constitution's 200th Anniversary) and Sept. 23 (tentative convening of the U.S. Supreme Court). Join in protesting the hypocrisy of the official Constitution Bicentennial celebrations.

For more information; March on Washington Committee, P.O. Box 7781, Washington, D.C. 20044. (202) 783-1828. Local contact; M.O.W. c/o VLGR P.O. Box 281, Hinesburg, Vt. 05461. (802) 864-3617.

Bisexuals Organize for March

Are you bisexual and wanting to go to the October 11 March on Washington, but afraid of feeling excluded? A National Bisexual Contingent is currently being organized by the East Coast Bisexual Network. This is an opportunity to affirm our bisexual pride nationally. If you are interested in marching with us or want to know more, send a note to Ruth Lande at P.O. Box 5363, Burlington, VT. 05402.

Reach Out and Touch Jerry

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Remember how that preacher of hate Jerry Falwell had to have his toll-free number disconnected because "the bible-burning homosexuals" were harassing his "ministry" and running up his phone bill? Well, Dawn has discovered Jerry's new toll-free number -- 1-800-345-8095. Perhaps readers would like to tell Mr. Falwell just what they think of his pronouncement that AIDS is God's retribution for perverts.