

Gay UU's to Meet in Portland

The Fourth Annual Convocation of Unitarian Universalists for Lesbian and Gay Concerns (UULGC) will be held from February 12 through 14 at First Parish Church in Portland, Maine. A lot of excitement surrounds this year's Convocation because of an anticipated appearance by presidential candidate Jesse Jackson. A spokesperson for the Jackson Campaign said that Mr. Jackson plans to make a guest appearance and keynote address at the Convocation unless some "major complication prevents his attendance." According to Fred Rabidoux, Convocation coordinator, Jackson's appearance has become "more a probability than a possibility because many of the obstacles to his appearance have been eliminated."

The Convocation, entitled "A Passion For Justice," will also feature Ms. Eleanor (Ellie) Haney as the Worship Service Keynote Speaker. Ms. Haney has been the leader of the Feminist Spiritualist Group in Maine for a number of years and a leading New England activist in behalf of feminist

causes for the past decade.

Registration fees are on a sliding scale according to income and range from \$35.00 to \$60.00. The UULGC Chapter in Burlington is planning to charter a van to the event scheduled to leave Burlington Friday afternoon, February 12 and return the evening of the 14th.

Convocation planners have reserved a block of rooms at the Sonesta Hotel in downtown Portland, only six blocks from the church. Requests may be made for two double beds or a king size bed when calling for a reservation. The price is \$32.00 (US) per person per night plus tax. The hotel is fully accessible. Hotel reservations can be made by calling 207-775-5411 between 9:00 and 5:00 and asking for reservations for Convocation '88. Efforts will also be made to place those who cannot afford hotel accommodations in homes in the Portland area. Additional information may be obtained by calling the First Unitarian Universalist Church at 862-5630 or Gilles Bonneau at 865-3941.

Gay Pride Survey

we need your response!

It's the time of year again, folks, to start thinking about this year's Gay Pride celebration. To make sure 1988's celebration is as successful as it has been in previous years, we're asking our readers what they'd like to see happen. We will tabulate and publish your responses in next month's issue.

REMEMBER: your responses and participation will determine whether or not there is a 1988 Gay Pride Celebration. Help make it happen!

1. Should a Lesbian/Gay Pride Celebration (march, rally, etc.) be held in 1988? yes ___ no ___

2. Where should it be held?

Burlington _____

Montpelier _____

Rutland _____

Brattleboro _____

Other _____

3. If you live in the Burlington area, would you travel as far as Brattleboro? yes ___ no ___

4. Would you be willing to help plan the event (attend meeting, make arrangements, plan fundraisers, etc)? yes ___ no ___

if yes:

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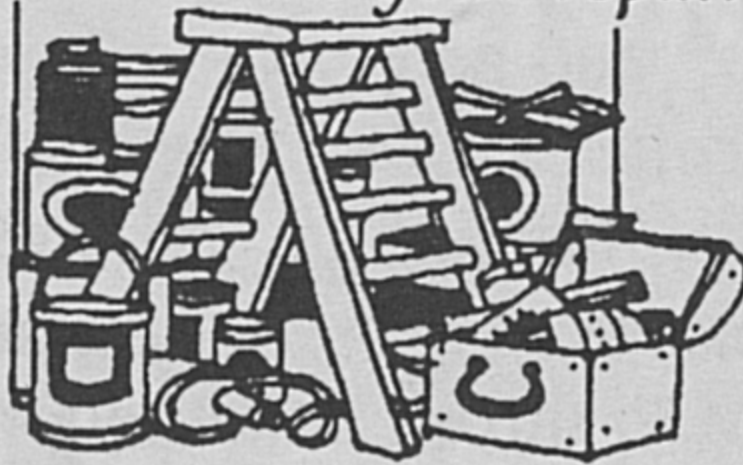


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Announcing the third annual Burlington celebration of International Women's Week, March 2-11, 1988!!

Help us organize and plan this special event!

The International Women's Week organizing committee is meeting every Monday at 5:30pm at the Peace and Justice Center, 186 College Street, Burlington. All women are welcome.

This year's celebration will focus on Women as Workers. The struggles and strides taken by women around the world to improve and change their workplaces and the workday world will be explored in workshops, discussions, films, concerts, poetry readings and a speakout rally. We are seeking to explore and support a feminist vision for transforming the world of work.

The International Women's Week Organizing Committee was initiated by KWANZAA which is working in collaboration with other groups and individuals to sponsor this third annual celebration.

If you would like to help plan this unique event or have a workshop or speaker idea related to our theme: "Women's Work/Women's Lives" please attend a meeting or contact **Cathy Hunter 878-3964** or **Pat Fontaine 862-3561**.