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which the AFC platform rests.

In addition, gay/lesbian families face discrimination by the legal system, lack of legal protection and recognition for unmarried partners, and lack of access to tangible economic benefits such as medical leave, insurance and other government benefits accorded to married partners.

"This deliberate avoidance of gay/lesbian families is an example of the cowardice and benign neglect that typifies the mainstream civil rights' community's approach to gay and lesbian equality," noted Jeffrey Levi, Executive Director of NGLTF. "The American Family Celebration is trying to avoid controversy by not taking up gay/lesbian family issues. This is shameful and in the context of the AIDS health crisis that is destroying so many gay families, it is morally reprehensible."

NGLTF urges that letters protesting the silencing of gay issues be sent to the American Family Celebration, 1920 L Street NW, Suite 700, Washington DC 20036. NGLTF will organize a gay/lesbian presence at the May 14th event.

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want to represent as many different currents within the lesbian and gay community as possible. We are trying to distinguish between sexually explicit materials as part of creative expression and as portrayals of the sexual life of our communities, versus commercial material," Escoffier said when I interviewed him by telephone on May 10.

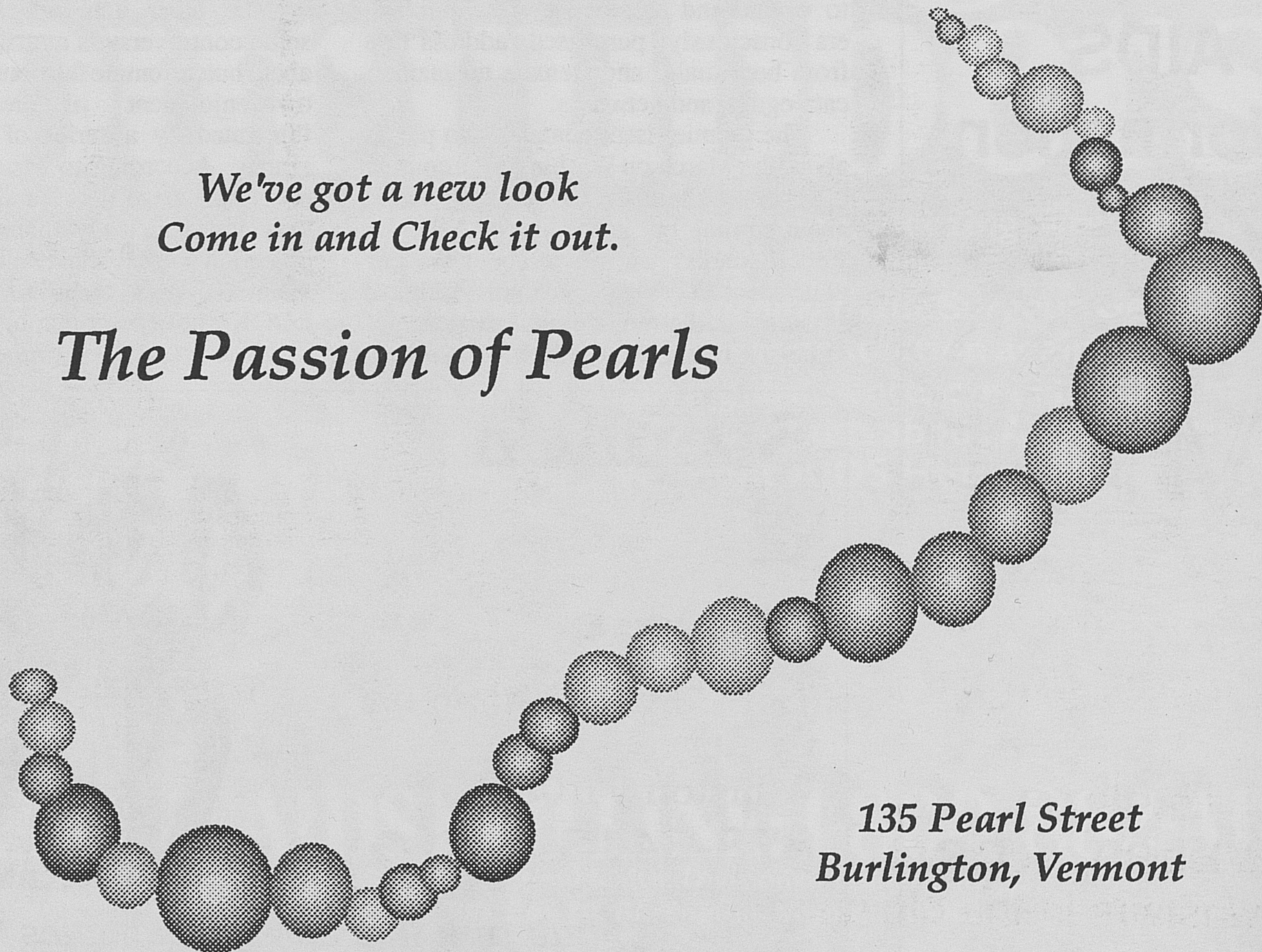
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