

Coalition Notes:

Anticipating A Queer Town Meeting on November 12th

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Workshop topics tentatively planned for the day include: Health Care Documents, Lesbian Sexuality, Fighting the Right, Domestic Partnership in the Workplace, Adoption Reform, Spirituality, Lesbian/Gay History in Vermont, "Single in the Sticks", Bisexuality, Gay Parenting, Transgender Issues, Gay Sexuality, Legal Issues

(What Are Our Rights?), Aging, Lesbian Health Issues, Abusive Relationships, and Youth Issues. Conference participants are also invited to join Middlebury College Gay and Lesbian Studies students for a dance later Saturday night.

Chicago writer and confirmed lesbomaniac, Jorjet Harper, will be a featured keynote speaker. Jorjet has published over 400 articles, interviews, commentaries, and reviews in over 30 national publications. She has been arts and entertainment editor for one of Chicago's newspapers serving the gay and lesbian community, *Outlines*, where she currently writes her monthly "Lesbomania" column, a hilarious and insightful look at lesbian and gay life in the '90's. She is also the author of *Les-*

bomania, a collection of her columns, recently published by Vermont's own New Victoria Publishers. In addition to giving a keynote speech, Jorjet will present "Lesbomania: An Evening of Matriarchal Mayhem", a reading/slide show featuring some of her best columns accompanied by humorous music and artwork.

The Coalition welcomes and encourages folks interested in volunteering to help with aspects of Conference planning as well as tasks on the day of the Conference. To insure a great turnout, the Coalition needs help in getting the word of the Conference out to your lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender friends and neighbors throughout the state. Businesses and organizations are also encouraged to advertise in the Conference Program Booklet which will feature lots of helpful information and community resources in addition to Conference details.

For registration information or to volunteer, call Dudley at (802) 889-9413, Susan Aranoff at (802) 728-4121, or Laurie Labarthe at (802) 223-8962. If you can help with publicity and community outreach, call Mary Hurlie at (802) 482-3927. If you are interested in advertising in the Conference Program Booklet, contact Dudley. ▼

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