

Dykes To Watch Out For

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Purim Celebration

Cheri Goldstein

Purim is probably the most festive of all the Jewish holidays in the year. It celebrates the triumph of the Jews over Hamen's evil plot to annihilate them. Mordechai and Queen Esther join forces, using disguised identities to foil Hamen through his pride.

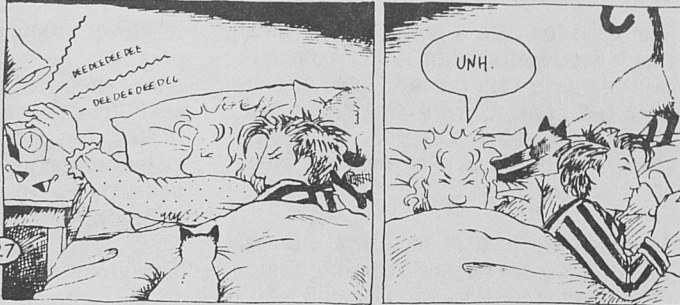
Since deception and disguise are so much a part of this story, it has become traditional for the Purim celebration to be done in costume. As the traditions have evolved many men have dressed as Queen Esther and women as King Hamen or Mordechai. Now doesn't this sound like a party atmosphere perfect for our community?

So once again the gay and lesbian Jewish community and friends will be gathering in celebration of ourselves, our history, and Purim. We will be celebrating on Saturday, March 21, 1992, at Moonstorm Farm in Worcester, VT. Costumes are not required but are suggested. Call Cheri or Holly at 229-0109 for details and directions. ▼

Lesbian Educators

The Lesbian Educators group is growing. Begun last spring in the home of the organizer, the most recent meeting this fall was attended by 16 people from around the state. Lynn Goyette, representing Out-right Vermont, spoke about a recent meeting with the State Department of Education to plan a spring conference on the topic of homophobia in the schools. Those in attendance made suggestions about future plans for this conference. The next meeting will be held on February 2 at the Unitarian Church in Montpelier from 3-5 p.m. Our discussion will focus on sexual harassment in the work place (specifically schools). For more information call Margaret at (802) 879-6559. Check the calendar section of OITM for future meetings. ▼

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