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Dear Lou:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 2nd and your cheque for \$25 to cover the 1985 membership fees. We have been selling memberships, much like other professional associations/organizations, on calendar-year basis--enclosing all membership benefits for the year, including copies of back issues of newsletters. However, because, like yourself, some people do join MMRF later on in the year, and may or may not wish back issues included in their membership fee, we have decided to discuss this matter at our next Board meeting on May 25 and set some sort of policy that is both fair to our members and feasible to us administratively. This policy will then be published in the newsletter.

Since I have not yet received permission from Georgia Saunders to reprint your article in our newsletter, I have decided to write her again and hold off on publishing your article until the August (instead of the June) issue. If she does not reply a second time, should I just go ahead and reprint it anyway? Was The Gateway newsletter copyrighted? (I don't want a law suit for breach of copyright law!).

Thanks for sending me the name and address of the fellow who makes a dildo/prosthesis for men without penises. I wrote him inquiring further information and literature and also, a sample for review purposes. ~~What do you think of his work?~~ Do you have one of his penile devices and if so, would you review it for our newsletter?  
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When do you think your biography will be finished, and which issue (Feb., April, June, August, October or December) do you want to place an ad and what size? Advertising rates are as follows: Full page: \$25, Half page: \$12.50, Quarter page: \$6.25, Business-card size: \$3.15. If you agree to take out three ads or more (all the same size) we will give you, as a membership benefit, your third ad FREE. Good luck with the book. I am looking forward to reading it and also, if you wish, to reviewing it in the newsletter.

I have been thinking of purchasing a personal computer (and going halves on it with MMRF) but it all depends upon the price and the functions it can perform (eg. word processing, networking, electronic bulletin board, information storage and retrieval, etc.).

[REDACTED], one of our members, wrote me to tell me that he was gay but that he was keeping a low profile (and hasn't told anyone but me and I believe he said he wrote you about it) because he was afraid...

Judy Van Maasdam, the co-ordinator of the Gender Dysphoria Program in Palo Alto, would inform Dr. Laub and together, decline approval for phalloplastic surgery--the same fate that befell you. I wrote about this situation (without mentioning [redacted] name) of sexual-preference discrimination to Jude Patton, one of the "consumer advocates" of the H&IGDA, requesting that he bring up this issue at the next annual gender dysphoria symposium in Minneapolis, Minnesota, in September. (If I attend, which I'm hoping to, perhaps I will bring it up, from the floor, under "new business" myself). Perhaps if you also were to write to Jude and [redacted] (anonymously) as well, this will strengthen the cause ("strength in numbers") and make the doctors who make these decisions take gay female-to-male transsexuals more seriously. Please advise.

There's three recent or new professional books published on gender dysphoria and I have received complimentary copies of two of them--and I'm hoping to receive a third--for review purposes. The names are: THE UNINVITED DILEMMA, by Kim Stuart, UNDERSTANDING GENDER DYSPHORIA, by Dr. Betty W. Steiner et al at the Clarke Institute of Psychiatry in Toronto, and, GENDER DYSPHORIA, by Dr. Bengt Lundstrom. I'm planning to review either the first or the last in the June issue of the newsletter. And, either Susan Huxford or Denise Hudson will review the second for our August issue.

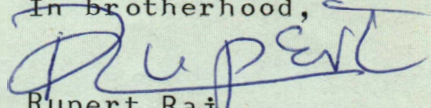
I finished school last week (and I have one more year to go) and I started a job selling advertising for a community paper--but it's commission only, no salary, and I haven't made a sale yet, although I have some firm and some tentative offers. I was also offered another job selling advertising and memberships for the Ontario Automobile Association where a person can make between \$30,000 and \$100,000 per year, the Toronto manager told me. But, I don't know yet what I should do, so I'm going to stay with the job I've got for now (at least, for a month to gain some experience and hopefully also, some dollars) and then, give the other guy an answer. Wish me luck!

I'm going to see the movie "JUST ONE OF THE GUYS"--starring Joyce Hyser as a high school girl who masquerades as a guy to enter a contest to win a summer internship at the local newspaper. I'm going to publish the review from a movie magazine--if I get permission--in the June issue of the newsletter. Please let me know your reaction if you get a chance to take it in. (I have yet to see "YENTL" and "THE YEAR OF LIVING DANGEROUSLY", starring Linda Hunt, who plays a man).

Could you please send me the name and address of David Kottler--the gay F-M cartoonist of the enclosed cartoon sent to me by Emmon Wills, so that I may contact him to ask his permission to reprint this in our newsletter. Do you know (of) him? I would very much like to correspond with him.

Did [redacted] get to San Fran yet? Is he living in the male gender role, working? I hope everything works out well for him. Please say "hello" from me and send him my best regards. Do you ever see Jude, Steve (Dain) or Emmon? Emmon sends me his Druidic newsletter "Missal-any", which I subscribe to for \$2.50 per year. He is the editor.

Well, so long for now. Take care and please drop me a line again.

In brotherhood,  
  
Rupert Raj