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Dear Sisters:

When I miss a party, I sure missed a good one. The following Sister were present: Barbara [redacted]; Gene [redacted]; Linda [redacted]; Michelle [redacted]; Pam [redacted]; Francis [redacted]; Denise [redacted]; Colleen ?; Tammy [redacted]; Renee [redacted]; Holly [redacted]; Janice [redacted]; Cleo [redacted]; Kathy and Francis from Rochester; Jennifer and Tereasa from Canada; and Toni [redacted] doing Make - Makeovers. I sure hope I got the girls names correct and that I haven't left anyone out.

Toni did a make-over session on Holly and gave some styling tips to the girls for their hair. It's my understanding that the session went very well and a few girls signed up for individual sessions with Toni. I don't know her scheduling list but if any girls are still interested we have a questionnaire to be returned to express your desires. Some girls were so impressed that they went out and bought new make-up for themselves.

The Styles on Video was cancelled due to a lack of pre- interest and notification. Ladies if you have an interest in a session you have to let us know before hand, so that we can tell if it will be cost effect to schedule. Many of the girls expressed an interest after the fact, and so we may reschedule this session at a future date. Check off your interest on the sheet. Due to circumstances, we had a duplication and conflict with the Rochester group, which brings up the next topic.

A few girls expressed a concern or a request so to speak-- Should the Buffalo Belles change their meeting date to the Third Saturday of the month so as not to conflict with the Rochester group? Again we surveyed the sister in a previous newsletter with only one response. So please check off your opinion on the return sheet. The only thought I would render is that in Nov. and Dec. we get close to the holidays in the third week. Two months when we have good attendance and the girls are able to come to the meetings. We can adjust for those weeks if we have to; you may also want to consider the day we have our meeting on. Please list your selection on the sheet.

Our December Meeting is to be a Holiday party.

#### MEETING/ACTIVITY

DEC. 11 XMASS PARTY-- Suggestions are to bring a \$5.00 toy or clothing (unwrapped) for a needy child. A tree decoration or we can make them at the meeting. A \$5.00 exchange gift for a sister.

JAN. 8- TAG SALE-- LOOK THRU YOUR CLOSETS

FEB. 12 MAKE UP SESSION

MARCH 12 - DINNER PARTY

OTHER - WILDSIDE TRIP

APRIL ? DRESS UP NIGHT-- Lets see your prettiest dresses.



At the last meeting, an announcement was made to all in attendance about a special Show in Town which will be playing during our December Meeting. I understand it's to start around 8:00 P.M. if anyone is interested in going, see Janice G. about tickets.

It's starting to get inclement out, and time to mention the winter procedures. If the weather is bad due to snow storms and we can not meet for our meeting, tune to WBEN (930) on your dial and listen for a cancellation of NU PHI CHI or Buffalo Belles Meeting being cancelled. I do hope this doesn't happen but just in case. We all live in different parts of the city and must realize the changeable snow patterns, so if it's snowing in one place it may not be snowing in the other and the meeting may still be scheduled. The new girls should take note of this procedure.

It's also getting to the start of the new year and DUES will be due on the 1 ST. Please make checks out for cash. Send them to Denise [redacted], 7954 Transit Rd. S197, Williamsville, N.Y. 14221. After receiving your Dues, I can update the Data Base and Mailing List. This would be a good time to make any changes in your Mailing Label. To do so I need what is on the label and the changes you want made.

We have two types of memberships, Active and Associate. Regular members may attend all meetings, vote on chapter business, and receive monthly notices; associate members are placed on the mailing list and may occasionally attend a meeting. Annual membership dues are \$25.00 for regular members and \$10.00 for Associate members. All memberships are renewed in January and dues are pro-rated according to when you join. Checks and money orders should be made out to "cash". Fill out your dues section, thank you.

We are getting close to the end of the year and it would be a good time to send in any concerns you may have about the monthly meetings, newsletter or any comments you may be harboring. Jot them down on the survey when you send it in.



A NOTE FROM THE STACKS

Dear Sisters,  
As our "librarian", I would like to get a library started for our mutual use. But how to do this presents a real problem! I'm not about to take my personal collection and just leave it out for "grabs". Nor would I ask that of you. I value what I have. I learned much of our gender dysphoria through reading the Virginia Prince trilogy, even a degree of self acceptance. The books on "how to do" really help also. (and to those who are thinking "didn't help much or she's a slow learner-you should have seen me before").  
So how do we accomplish this library? Ask just for what you are willing to donate? Is our new location of storage in the basement secure enough to keep there? Does the church have a library that we can donate to and is it accesable to us at meeting times-I haven't noticed such a room myself. Or are you willing to lend on an individual basis-on request and arrangement? Any ideas any one else has would be appreciated!  
If you wish to send to me a list of what you have available or ideas on how to do this, send to Denise [redacted] PO 361, Amherst NY 14226. In the meantime, if you have any "throwaways"-magazines,catalogs etc., bring them to the meetings to share.

The list of books I have follows:

- Psychology, understanding
  - Undrstanding Cross-dressing by Virginia Prince
  - The Transvestite & His Wife by Virginia Prince
- Image Books
  - How to be a Woman though Male by Virginia Prince
  - Speaking as a Woman by Alison Laing
  - Art & Illusion 2nd edition by JoAnn Roberts
  - Art & Illusion Companion by JoAnn Roberts
  - From Masculine to Feminine by Jennifer Anne Stevens
  - Makeup for Brunettes by Susi Rogol
  - Hormones 1st edition by IFGE
- FICTION
  - The Turnabout Party by Chevalier Pub.
- VIDEO
  - nine tapes I've made from TV shows with TV,TS,CD, DQ subjects from Donahue, Springer, Geralldo etc, unedited-some good, some awfull each has 2to 4 shows

### The 3 worst things you can do to your face



McCall's OCTOBER 1993

**B**Y NOW YOU KNOW IF YOU WANT to have great-looking skin, sun-bathing and smoking are taboo. What you may not be aware of, though, are the little habits that also take their toll on your complexion.

- **Scrubbing too hard:** Zealous washing irritates the skin and can cause red blotches, reports D'Anne Kleinsmith, M.D., a Detroit dermatologist. The best way to cleanse? Wet your face with warm water, then apply soap with fingertips, massaging in an upward circular motion. Finally, wet a soft cotton washcloth with warm water, place it over your entire face and dab off the soap in an upward motion (this ensures that it's all removed). It is a good idea to slough dead skin cells once a week by using a *gentle* exfoliator.
- **Squeezing pimples:** Popping a pimple can make it redder and more swollen, and can cause permanent scarring, says Patricia Wexler, M.D., a New York City dermatologist. Instead, use an over-the-counter acne medication (with benzoyl peroxide). Or try this trick: Apply a few drops of Visine to the pimple using a cotton swab (this will help shrink it quickly).
- **Using old makeup:** Makeup that's been sitting around for more than a year may be contaminated by bacteria or fungi. Using such cosmetics can cause breakouts—or even infections. The smartest strategy: Replace mascara every six months, the rest of your makeup at least once a year. Also, wash makeup brushes and applicators once a week with warm water and dishwashing soap and let them air-dry.

Top: LISA PEARSON; Hair, Donald Mikula; Makeup, Emma Carter (3); Bottom: RICHARD Marks for Orbe at Elizabeth Arden; Makeup, Emma Carter; Stylist, Maki Mingus; Shop