GAY TASK FORCE

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION—ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1985—CHICAGO FIVE EVENTS, LISTED BELOW, OPEN TO ALL, LIBRARIANS AND NON-LIBRARIANS

1 Sunday July 7, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Americana Congress Hotel, Belmont Room YOU WANT TO LOOK UP WHAT?? INDEXING THE LESBIAN AND GAY PRESS

Clare Potter, editor, Lesbian Periodicals Index (in press, Naiad Press); member, Coordinating Committee, West Coast Lesbian Collections; research librarian, California Medical Association...and Robert B. Marks Ridinger, creator, THE ADVOCATE Index, 1967-1982; subject librarian for Sociology, Anthropology, Geography and Ethnic Studies, Northern Illinois University;

author of "Research Sources and Microforms in Black Studies," Behavioral and Social Sciences Librarian (Summer 1985); member, Lesbian and Gay Academic Union.

2 Monday July 8, 4:30-5:30 p.m., Auditorium of the School of the Art Institute, Columbus Avenue and Jackson Boulevard (school entrance opposite bandshell in park)

IMAGE/ARTIST: THE HOMOSEXUAL IN VISUAL ARTS

Slide show by Marie J. Kuda, long-time lesbian activist, bibliographer, publisher.

3 Monday July 8, 6-8 p.m. (after slide show) in a spacious apartment in Chicago. Cards with the address and directions will be available at our Sunday and Monday programs.



Romaine Brooks--Self Portrait Smithsonian Gallery

Tuesday July 9, 2-4 p.m., Palmer House, Adams Room

GAY BOOK AWARD Presentation for ANOTHER MOTHER TONGUE: GAY WORDS, GAY WORLDS by Judy Grahn (Beacon Press, 1984) ...followed by

BLIND LESBIANS AND GAYS: THE LAVENDER PEN ON CASSETTE AND IN BRAILLE

Marj Schneider, co-founder, Womyn's Braille Press, Minneapolis; Terry Gorman, co-founder and director, Lambda Resource Center for the Blind, Chicago; John Feldman, Lambda Resource Center for the Blind.

Womyn's Braille Press and Lambda Resource Center for the Blind are groups that bring lesbian, gay, and feminist literature to the printhandicapped. Ten years ago, print-handicapped people had almost no access to literature on alternative sexuality and sex roles. The presenters have brought hundreds of books and articles covering these issues to print-handicapped people. They will tell how they started, what they are doing, what their goals are, and why their work benefits both the print-handicapped and the community at large.

...followed by...



"Friends"--Gerhard Marcks Boston Museum of Fine Arts

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Above: Clare Potter

Sunday program

Right: Robert Ridinger Tuesday July 9, 2-4 p.m. (continued)

OPEN FORUM: WHAT DO WE WANT-FROM EACH OTHER, FROM ALA, FROM THE WORLD?

Moderator: Dee Michel, Princeton, NJ

5 Tuesday July 9, 7-9 p.m. RECEPTION



Welcome to the Gerber-Hart Library (Midwest Lesbian and Gav Resource Center) at 3225 N. Sheffield Ave. Take northbound subway (Howard St.) from the Loop to Belmont (3200 N.). The Library is ½ block west & block north of el stop. Questions? Call 883-3003, or Joe Gregg at 787-3450.





Above: Marj Schneider

Tuesday program

Left: Terry Gorman

Our 15 Years of Accomplishment

OUR CURRENTLY AVAILABLE PUBLICATIONS

HISTORY OF OUR GAY BOOK AWARD

Handy brief lists (one sheet printed both sides):
GAY RESOURCES FOR RELIGIOUS STUDY, March 1982 GAY AIDS FOR COUNSELORS, April 1983 GAY PARENTS: SOME HELPFUL MATERIALS, Nov. 1983 PARENTS OF GAYS: SOME HELPFUL MATERIALS, Jan. 1984 Two copies (same list or mixed), 50¢; 3-10 copies, 20¢ each; 10+, 15¢ each; also big-quantity rates.

Bibliography: A GAY BIBLIOGRAPHY, 6th edition 1980. Non-fiction only; 500+ items. Limited usefulness because of date. One or two copies, 75¢ each; 3-9 copies, 60¢ each; 10 or more, 50¢ each.

NOTE: We have not revised this bibliography since 1980 partly because we are now preparing, for a major publisher, a book-length, annotated bibliography (including fiction) called THE GAY EXPERIENCE.

Pamphlet: CENSORED, IGNORED, OVERLOOKED, TOO EXPENSIVE? HOW TO GET GAY MATERIALS INTO LIBRARIES. (Tips for non-librarians) 1979. \$1 a copy.

Prices include mailing in U.S. and Canada. Please prepay small orders. (Canada orders in U.S. money.) Checks to "Barbara Gittings -- GTF" at address below.

HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR PAST ALA CONFERENCE PROGRAMS

1971 -- Sex and the Single Cataloger: New Thoughts on Some Unthinkable Subjects

1972 -- Gay Poetry Readings

1975 -- The Children's Hour: Must Gay Be Grim for Jane and Jim? (gay themes in teenager novels) 1978--Gay Film Festival (18 documentary films)

1979--An Evening with Gertrude Stein (by Pat Bond)

1980 -- Gay Materials in Schools

1981--It's Safer To Be Gay on Another Planet (gay images in science fiction & fantasy)

1982 -- The Celluloid Closet: Lesbians and Gay Men in Hollywood Film

1983 -- Why Keep All Those Posters, Buttons & Papers? Problems and Rewards of Gay/Lesbian Archives 1984--Gay/Lesbian Periodicals for Libraries

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1971--PATIENCE AND SARAH by Isabel Miller 1972--LESBIAN/WOMAN by Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon and

THE GAY MYSTIQUE by Peter Fisher

1973--No award

1974--SEX VARIANT WOMEN IN LITERATURE by Jeannette Foster

1975--HOMOSEXUALITY: LESBIANS AND GAY MEN IN SOCIETY, HISTORY AND LITERATURE (56 titles) edited by Jonathan Katz

1976 -- No award

1977--FAMILIAR FACES, HIDDEN LIVES: THE STORY OF HOMOSEXUAL MEN IN AMERICA TODAY by Howard Brown

1978--OUR RIGHT TO LOVE: A LESBIAN RESOURCE BOOK edited by Ginny Vida

1979--NOW THAT YOU KNOW: WHAT EVERY PARENT SHOULD KNOW ABOUT HOMOSEXUALITY by Betty Fairchild and Nancy Hayward

1980--- NOW THE VOLCANO: AN ANTHOLOGY OF LATIN AMERI-CAN GAY LITERATURE edited by Winston Leyland 1981 -- CHRISTIANITY, SOCIAL TOLERANCE AND HOMOSEX-

UALITY by John Boswell and

THE CANCER JOURNALS by Audre Lorde 1982 -- SURPASSING THE LOVE OF MEN: ROMANTIC FRIEND-SHIP AND LOVE BETWEEN WOMEN FROM THE RENAIS-SANCE TO THE PRESENT by Lillian Faderman and

> THE CELLULOID CLOSET: HOMOSEXUALITY IN THE MOVIES by Vito Russo

and the Jeannette Foster Memorial Award for Bibliography:

BLACK LESBIANS: AN ANNOTATED BIBLIOGRAPHY by JR Roberts

1983--No award

1984--SEXUAL POLITICS, SEXUAL COMMUNITIES: THE MAKING OF A HOMOSEXUAL MINORITY IN THE UNITED STATES, 1940-1970 by John D'Emilio

1985 -- ANOTHER MOTHER TONGUE: GAY WORDS, GAY WORLDS by Judy Grahn

To apply to serve on the Gay Book Award Committee, write to GBA Committee Chair, c/o address below.

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