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DAILY CIVIC CENTER PICKET CONTINUES

Going into its 6th week, the daily noon-time picket of the Civic Center, sponsored by C.G.A., G.R.A.C., and C.C.R.A.C., has proven very successful. The picketeers, carrying signs crying, "STOP THE OPPRESSION OF GAYS--GIVE US OUR CIVIL RIGHTS NOW!" have received an amazingly favorable response. Most citizens are outraged to learn that, in a supposedly democratic society, Gay People are still denied their basic civil rights; and the majority are eager to sign the petitions which urge the immediate passage of the Gay Civil Rights Packet.

Anyone able to assist the picketing, or able to circulate petitions, can contact Nancy Davis at 953-1058 or 254-1069 for further details.

RETRACTION

Due to mistaken information, last months C.L.L. Newsletter listed the C.W.L.U. (Chicago Women's Liberation Union) as a sponsor of C.C.R.A.C. As this is not the case, we must apologize for our error.

Workshop on Lesbian Feminism

A workshop on Lesbian feminism was held on Thur., June 27th. Although many of the women present were of approximately the same politics, we did exchange some of our ideas of what lesbian feminism meant to us.

I think this exchange of ideas is a worthwhile endeavor. Our Lesbian community has many diversified feelings all of which are worth hearing. My ideas about elaborating on this theme are vague; at this point I was thinking about another better planned session lasting maybe all day, or several evening sessions. If you are interested, please call Janice at 764-7240, or come to a C.L.L. meeting.

Greetings to all Cancers and Leos! (I'm a Leo too). We have enjoyed and survived another gay pride week, the heat- hot, hot, hot - and now are looking forward to new projects. And, believe it or not, we are again looking for a center. A real, live Center to call our own; to work, create and plan in, and where we can grow; have fun, and fight for our freedom.

"Nothing succeeds like success," I've been told; so its time we made it happen for us.

Speaking of happenings, our thanks to Augie's, Sue and Nan's, Lost and Found, and Levin's Inn for their Fourth of July picnic. It was nice to get together and relax. Everyone had a good time. Also, we are happy to announce that Augie's will now be open on Mon. nites. The Bradberry has recently switched management and we understand some men, mostly college students are present. However, women are still supposed to be welcomed there and the price of drinks reduced. Perhaps you would like to check it out and let us know how things are going now.

C.L.L. is solidifying its membership. Soon white membership cards will be issued to lesbians attending the Monday night meetings. The cards will be stamped with the date at each meeting. After a woman attends three meetings she will be issued a lavender card bearing the seal of our non-profit corporation. At this point she may vote on matters concerning the organization. Also in mid-August after having served 1½ years, three terms of our Board of Directors will expire. Anyone wishing to make a nomination or desiring a successive term should announce this at a Monday night meeting within the next 30 days.

Milly Leonard