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### QUAALUDE: WHAT'S IN A NAME

Lemmon Company, which makes the prescription sleeping pill Quaalude; has been increasingly sensitive about the use of its brand name.

It bought the trademark from William H. Roger Inc. in September 1978. Lemmon imprints its white tablets with the number 714, as Roger did.

Lemmon's concern stems from illicit use of its product and fakes sold as Quaaludes; "ludes" "lemmons", or "714s". The reason is that Quaaludes, when not taken as a sleeping pill, produces an alcohol-type high.

Pills manufactured illegally often come from South America, via Miami and Atlanta. The manufacturers try to copy the Lemmon imprint, with mixed success. Sometimes experts can't tell if a tablet is a real Quaalude without comparing details, such as the shape of the 4 in 714, to a picture in a Physician's Desk Reference.

The fake pills don't always contain Methaqualone, the active ingredient of Quaalude.

The July-August issue of the Journal Drug Survival News tells about 39 samples that were supposed to be Quaaludes. Only 25 contained Methaqualone. It wasn't determined whether they were Lemmon's or fake. Two were asthma medications or antihistamines. Eight were Diazepam, the tranquilizer in Valium. One was a barbiturate or "downer". One was a stimulant-type decongestant. One had no drugs, only additives. One was unidentified.

Quaalude, Valium and downers all can result in overdose, especially when mixed with alcohol, which multiplies their effects. A user accustomed to drinking beer while on "ludes" that are actually a fake Valium might someday get a more potent "lude" and OD on the same amount of beer and pills.

That kind of casual drug use has frightened the Lemmon Company into wanting to disavow its connection with "ludes" and "714s". Lemmon is phasing in a new name; Mequin, for a Methaqualone pill that's imprinted LMN 300.

KEEPING YOU INFORMED.....

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## GRACE GETS IN HER

### LICKS

While performing at the Savoy in New York this past week, Grace Jones had a little addition to her usual punish routine. As she performed her rendition of Tom Petty's song "Break Up" she kneeled down on the edge of the stage. A man from the audience wearing a black hood jumped on stage behind her and before she knew it, handcuffed himself to her leg. When she realized what had happened, she began to kick at the man's midsection and yelled for help. Nearby, stagehands came to the rescue before Grace kicked the man's midsection out. Maybe he'll think twice before he tries to "pull up to the bumper" with her again!!

### OPERATOR, PLEASE ????????

Volunteers are desperately needed by the Charlotte Gay/Lesbian Switchboard. If you are interested call 525-6128 from 7 PM- 11 PM. Because of the lack of person power, there may be nights when no one is there to work the switchboard. If you can possibly volunteer one night a month, please call.

### ENTERTAINER OF THE YEAR

All right all you guys prancing around in front of the mirror. It's time for the NC/SC Entertainer of the Year Award 1981. This pageant is being held at the Odyssey in Charlotte, N.C. Saturday, November 28. There will be a crown and trophies awarded as well as other prizes. For more information contact the Odyssey at (704)-568-7498.

### MISS GREENSBORO PAGEANT

The Official Miss Gay Greensboro Pageant is to be held on December 13, 1981 at the Encore in Greensboro, N.C. The Sunday event is a Norma Christie preliminary to the Miss Gay North Carolina Pageant. Applications are available at Encore (former location of Wham Disco). For more information please call (919)-272-9320.

### OPERATION CONCERN

The folks at Friend's Lounge are having a Special Christmas Show December 5, 1981 with all the proceeds going to OPERATION CONCERN. Some of the performers include Shana Nicole, the Miss Jacksonville 1981-1982, Brandy Alexander, Miss North, plus many more entertainers from Friend's regular shows. Friend's Lounge is located at 1551 LeJeune Boulevard in Jacksonville, North Carolina. For more information call (919)-353-9710.

## by MARTHA

I recently became introduced with great pleasure, to the music of a very extraordinary woman by the name of Meg Christian. She is a veteran singer, songwriter, and guitarist. Her songs express the very history and heart of the woman's movement in this country. In 1973, Meg co-founded Olivia Records, the largest women's recording label. Their first release was Meg's album "I Know You Know" (1975). The album's great success spurred scores of other women to write and perform their own varieties of women's music. Gradually more women's record companies, production companies, and other businesses formed and flourished, and the women's culture mushroomed. Olivia Records released Meg's second album "Face The Music" in 1977. Her most recent album "Turning It Over" was released in the fall of 1981. I found myself addicted to this album from the first time I heard it. Meg has a strong and beautiful voice. The music itself is mostly laid-back and easy listening. Her lyrics are rich in wisdom, humor, and self-acceptance. This album is totally dedicated to women who love women. Meg is very open about her own feelings with lyrics such as.... "I saw it burning in my own eyes but I didn't recognize the sign of my desire, the sign of a woman, the love of a woman for her woman." She gives us the ability to laugh at ourselves with these lyrics.... "If I'm in a rut, just get off my butt, go down to the gym and pump some iron" (Gym II). In essence, this is an album that you can laugh with, cry over, and be given the energy to keep going for what you are and what you believe in.

If you're interested in this album or any other of the many gay female artist you may write for a catalog from Ladyslipper Music, P.O. Box 3124, Durham, N.C. 27705. Please include \$1.00 for postage and handling.



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## Seriously Speaking by Don King

QCQ has been around for about a year now, yet a lot of Charlotteans don't know what the organization is or why it exists. Many asked about the group during events of the QCQ-sponsored Cruise Bar Week of November 8-13.

The full name is Queen City Quordinators with the last word spelled that way deliberately, and some people half jokingly have asked if QCQ stood for "Queen City Queers". As coordinator for QCQ, I don't mind the nickname if it helps name recognition.

The idea for QCQ came about last winter when the Gay/Lesbian Switchboard of Charlotte and the North Carolina Human Rights Fund (a group headquartered in Raleigh) were getting notice of Charlotte activists. With those two groups, the Gay/Lesbian Caucus of Charlotte and the Metropolitan Community Church Building Fund needing money, it seemed logical to combine fund-raising efforts rather than have all four organizations pestering the bars for fund-raisers.

So QCQ was formed with representatives not only from those groups but from Acceptance, the social/educational group in Charlotte than doesn't need funds but does provide a ready resource of ideas and person power.

The QCQ committee met several times before hammering out a fund-raising plan that would be attractive to the gay/lesbian community as well as to Charlotte's bars.

The primary considerations were 1) to provide entertainment rather than ask for outright donations; 2) to schedule fund-raisers on Tuesday nights primarily so as not to butt head-to-head with any bar's best nights; 3) to provide variety.

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## ASK ARLOW

Questions for Arlow should be sent to: Arlow, P.O. Box 31293, Charlotte, N.C. 28231.

Dear Arlow,

I am a young attractive construction worker. I've lived in the same small town for all of my 22 years and have enjoyed many friendships. I had a lover from when I was 16 until we broke up about six months ago. My problem is I never had to look for anyone and I'm getting tired of all these sissy acting queens that keep putting the make on me. Arlow, where can I find a man?

T.D.  
Morehead City, N.C.

Dear T.D.,

I think I understand what your situation is. One thing you may want to keep in mind is that many gay people, like people in other minorities, seem to feel that they have to behave the way the stereotypical member of his particular group behaves. In other words, some gay men think Gays are swishy, effeminate men--the way straights view Gays. This is the way they think gay men are supposed to act. So the next time you are approached by someone like this, try to be a little understanding. As far as meeting a man that you would like, the best thing I know is to get involved with activities that interest you--both in the Gay and straight community. Maybe you could take some classes at a local college or get involved in an outdoors group--anything that interests you and just keep your eyes and ears open. Chances are you'll meet someone and it'll make the wait worthwhile.

Dear Arlow,

When I went away to college I met my first man and well... to make a long story short we are now happily living together. My parents have no idea of the relationship and they don't suspect me at all (I used to date girls in high school). I just got a letter saying they are coming for a visit. How can I hide my lifestyle?

Please sign me  
Hoping for a peaceful Christmas  
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Dear Hoping,

You have a decision to make before they arrive. If you want to keep the relationship a secret you will have to find a two bedroom apartment (if you don't already have one) or make some other arrangement and play it straight during their visit. Something else you could think about doing is simply keep things as they are and see what happens. Just introduce your lover as your roommate and try to avoid open displays of affection. If you don't flaunt it or in some other way throw it up in their faces (and I don't think you would) and they do figure it out they will be able to accept it easier.

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Brandy Alexander, Miss North, appearing in the benefit show for Operation Concern at Friend's Lounge on December 5th.



Halloween party at the Fortress Club.



Scott of Tags makes a call on a shot in the Sunday pool tournament.



Gerri O'Neal appearing soon at the Grand Palace in W.Va. and the Fortress Club in S.C.



Halloween winner at the Fortress Club.



## Billie's Place

**Wimmin's Winter Carnival & Celebration!** A special event by the Queen City Quordinators to raise money for the gay/lesbian community will be held **December 8th, 8 p.m.-until for wimmin only.** Admission \$3. The event is being hosted by **OLEEN'S**, who will be open on a night she is usually closed. The event will feature live wimmin entertainers, arts and crafts booths, games where you can win prizes, a free buffet and wimmin's music for some cheek-to-cheek dancing. There will even be a gypsy fortune teller. If you are interested in setting up a booth to display materials or sell items, sign up sheets are located at Oleen's, the Scorpio, the Alternative, 1511 Central Ave., and the Friends of Dorothy Bookshop, corner of East Blvd. and Euclid. There is no extra charge to set up a table, but admission will be charged. **COME ENJOY AN EVENING WITH A DIFERENT ATMOSPHERE!**

## Creative Cuisine with Alan DeGiulio

With Thanksgiving and Christmas not very far away, everyone better brace themselves for a lot of leftovers. Most people have their own special way of preparing a turkey, so I'll not say a thing about that. However, when it comes to leftovers most of us, as Ken says, "just ain't well" for it. So here's a good way to use up that leftover but delicious meat.

### Recipe

[NOTE] If you have any basically prepared vegetables left over, freeze them and I'll tell you later how to deal with them. This time of year is so, so busy, but we all know we just can't afford to be wasteful.

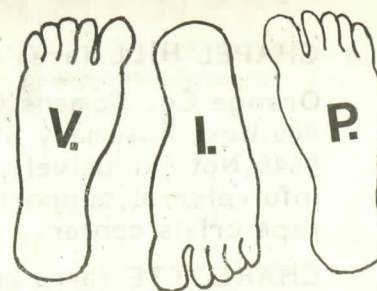
### Scrumptious Turkey Casserole

- 1 chicken flavored bouillon cube
- 1½ cups boiling water
- ½ cup butter or margarine
- ½ cup chopped onion
- ½ cup chopped green pepper
- ½ cup all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon pepper
- 3 cups diced cooked turkey
- 2 cups cooked rice
- ½ cup chopped pimiento(optional)
- 2 tablespoons grated parmesan cheese
- ½ cup cornflake crumbs
- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine, melted

Dissolve bouillon cube in boiling water; set aside to cool (1½ cups turkey or chicken broth may be substituted for bouillon).

Melt ½ cup butter in medium skillet. Add onion and pepper; saute until tender. Add flour, stirring until smooth; cook 1 minute, stirring constantly. Gradually add bouillon; cook over medium heat, stirring constantly, until thickened and bubbly. Stir in salt and pepper.

Combine turkey, rice, pimiento, parmesan cheese, and sauce; mix well. Spoon into a greased 1½ quart casserole dish. Combine cornflake crumbs and 1 tablespoon melted butter, mixing well. Sprinkle on top of casserole. Bake, uncovered, at 350° for 30 minutes. Yield: 6 servings.



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Many of the bars are private clubs. If you are not a member, call ahead and make arrangements for admission and mention that you read about them in OUR SOUTH.

### NORTH CAROLINA

N.C. Human Rights Fund: Legal defence group Triangle group, P.O. Box 10782, Raleigh, 27805. 919-833-9596. Charlotte group, 1511 Central Avenue, 28205. 704-333-5357. Federal 501(c)3 tax exempt.

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### CHAPEL HILL (area code 919)

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Gay/Lesbian Caucus, 1511 Central Avenue, 28205. 333-5357.

G.M.O.F. (Gay Men Over Fifty) discussion and support, P.O. Box 35435, zip 28235.

Queen City Quorodiners, 1511 Central Avenue, 28205.

Oleen's Lounge, disco and showbar, 1831 South Blvd, Disco Wed-Sun. Thurs West-ern nite, free draft 11PM-12PM Shows Wed, Sat, Sun. 373-9604

New Brass Rail, 3515 Wilkin-son Blvd. 399-8413. Sun 7:30PM-8:30PM mixed drink special. Mon 9PM-12PM draft special. Tues cookout. Wed 7PM pool Tourny. Thurs 7PM dart tourny. HH 4PM-6PM M-F.

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Club South, 1708 South Blvd, 333-3859, open 24 hours, 7 days.

M.C.C., meets Wed and Sun at 7PM, 234 North Sharon Amity. 535-0541.

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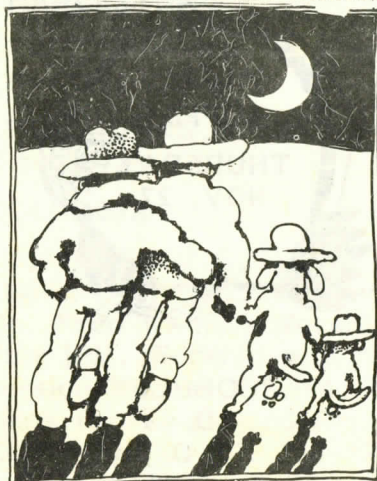
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Dear Arlow,

I'm only 15 years old and I'm really lonely. All my friends are straight and I need someone to talk to about things they don't understand. I live in a small town and almost everyone is straight but me. I found your magazine in the magazine rack at a drugstore and am writing without my return address or my name because if I got any mail my family would open it and they can't find out right now. I will watch for your answer in Our South. Please answer quick, I'm afraid that when the man at the drugstore finds out what kind of magazine it is they won't carry it anymore.

T.M.

Conway, S.C.

Dear T.M.

Even though you live in a small town and not old enough to go to bars or other places you can meet people. I'm sure that if you look hard enough you will find other gay people. Once you've met one or two people they will introduce you to their friends and so on. Don't worry if these people are not your type right now you need friends besides, they may just introduce you to Mr. Right! Hang in there! As you may know from reading Our South there is a whole community out there just waiting for you. As far as the man at your drugstore not knowing what Our South is, look around the rack some. Our South REG isn't usually available anywhere other Gay magazines are not available and vice versa. However, the other magazines may be under the counter since they may feature nude photos and be available only to those of legal age in your state.

Dear Arlow,

Why is it that some gays and lesbians imitate straights by taking vows or going through "marriage" ceremonies? Don't you think that is a lot of nonsense?

M.S.

Durham, N.C.

Dear M.S.,

Not Necessarily. While formalizing a relationship in a manner not legally recognized in most states may seem senseless to some, it serves some good purposes for others. To some a relationship is enriched by the ritualistic verbalization of the commitment especially when done in public. A ritual of marriage can serve to enrich a relationship by adding fond memories of an important point in the relationship. Besides, why don't you leave the criticism to the Moral Majority?

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Profits from fund-raisers would be divided among the Caucus, the Switchboard, the Human Rights Fund, and the MCC Building Fund.

The first fund-raiser was the most successful. Held at the Odyssey last March, it brought together the top female impersonation performers in Charlotte for a rousing show that was hailed as one of the most entertaining ever held in Charlotte.

The next event proved financially disastrous: the first Gay/Lesbian Pride Week of the Carolinas. QCQ, mainly with funds borrowed from QCQ members and a few other individuals, spent over \$4,000 on Pride Week and recouped only \$2,000. Fund-raisers since have been used to repay the creditors and there is still as outstanding debt of about \$1,000.

In August, a new wave band was hired to play the Scorpio; and in November, the the Cruise Bar Week was held.

The final 1981 event will be "For Women Only" at Oleens.

Except for the Gay Pride Week financial loss, every QCQ event has been a money maker, though not as successful as the impersonation show. Because the impersonators involved donated their time and talent, there was less than \$100 expenses for that show and over \$900 was made at the door.

The new wave night also took in over \$900 at the door but expenses, because the band had to be paid, were over \$600.

QCQ has remained strong inspite of the Gay Pride Week loss, and is now beginning to plan the 1982 schedule. Another pride week will be held, but expenses will be far less. And QCQ will plan to hold an event at each bar that wants to participate.

One of the joyful parts was the vigorous participation by all bars, and that proved that the gay/lesbian community can pull together when a reason is given to do so.

One of the problems QCQ has is a lack of new ideas because so many of the same people that are active in QCQ are also active in the Caucus. Energies get spread too thin.

Suggestions are always welcome; and so is participation not only in carrying out events but in planning them as well.

Interested?

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