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The Next Generation!*

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*New Venue for Masquerade Meetings!!*

Well, as most of you know, we have now officially changed our meeting location to Happenings Social Club! They have always been enthusiastic and supportive of us and now after holding our November meeting there, all in attendance voted unanimously to hold all future meetings there!

The benefits of more room and improved atmosphere from Mary's basement, plus less setup and teardown and travel time afterwards will give our meetings a more relaxed feel and provide us with more time to provide better quality programming and events!

David, our friend and bartender is fun and helpful and we can look forward to seeing his smiling face there all the time!

For new members there is even less to worry about than going to a retail store, asides from being

a more private location, open only to us on meeting nights, there is plenty of parking and a security camera at the door. There is also lots of room and many mirrors to change on location!

We will adhere to club policy and provide coffee and snacks, but no alcohol will be served until after the meeting is finished.

We must all remember though that we would not exist if it we not for Mary and her store! We must all continue to support Lady Godiva Boutique and be sure and visit Mary often!

For the time being our club Library and TV etc. will remain at our old location. And the Space Girls will soon be hosting a fundraiser for a VCR to be donated to Happenings for their use as well as ours for meetings. We all hope you will come out,



*a more private location,  
open only to us  
on meeting nights*



*Look at all the photos we took at our new venue!*



## *Masquerade Social Calendar!*

Hi Girls!

Well here we are at a very busy but special time of the year! There are a few events happening over the next few weeks that we want to be sure you know about so that you can hopefully make it to them!

Here it goes! Weeeeeee!

### **Friday December 12**

WTG Xmas party. 6 pm at Rachel's! Potluck Dinner and BYOB! See Shandi for the address!

Masquerade Christmas Party!

**Saturday December 13** at Paula and Belinda's starting at 8:00 pm. BYOB and your favourite snack. We will be providing food and snacks as

well. Put on your best dress and c'mon over! See Shandi or Paula for the address or directions!

**New Year's Eve!** Party at Mary's! BYOB and have a ball! Party starts at 9 pm! See Mary for details!

See you there!!!!

## *Halloween Social News!*

For those who missed it! We had a great time and raised \$407.50 for the club! There were a few new faces and a good time was had by all!

One new face wrote to me and said..."Just a quick note to say thanks for a good time. Your social was just what I needed. I enjoyed myself immensely. OK and maybe a reminder to remember to hit us up for a

donation next year. LOL Anyway, thanks for a great time!"

Thanks so much to everyone who helped out! Ardra, Natalie, Chantal, Vanessa, Rhianna, Charm, Christie and Mary. That's what makes these events work, everybody chipping in! (Especially Chantal who

provided all the free chips!) And to Sabrina for all the photos she took!

### *Halloween Social Memories!*



## *Nail Tips By Rhaina!*

### Lining the lips.

Outline the lips carefully, rounding the bow of the upper lip and then tracing inwards in short strokes. Start the lower lip in the centre and trace along your own lipline towards the outside. Remember to fill in the entire mouth with the pencil. Apply your lip colour with a brush and fill the entire mouth up to the same edge as the lip pencil. Powder, blot and re-apply. If you choose to reshape the mouth, first cover the natural lip line with concealer. This gives the finished shape a more realistic look.

### Lipstick bleeding into the fine lines around the lips.

Cornstarch absorbs more for its weight in water and oil than other powders. By dusting just a small amount of baby cornstarch over the mouth area you can reduce the chance of lipliners or lipstick bleeding into the fine lines around the lips.

## *Working Girl!*

Did you ever wonder how it would feel like to go to work all prettied up? Well, I did a few times but it was to help a friend in her store. I never went to my own workplace prettied up until October 25, 2003.

The set up was great I was behind on some office work and had 2 trailers I had to unload before 5 am. Sooooo I thought if I go in at midnight and work till 8 am I would be able to go into work all prettied up until 4 (which is when the sales reps would be coming to pick their orders)..... that's a 4 hour shift for me!

The day before I went to bed at 5 pm so that I could get some sleep before work. I woke up at 10:30 which gave me over an hour to take a shower, put on make up, and choose my clothing. The clothing was a tough decision. I had to keep in mind that I only have an hour worth of office work then its off to the physical work. I picked out my black dress, a pair of 4" sandals and black stockings for doing the "office girl" stuff.....for the physical work I packed a pair of pants, a company work shirt, girlie ankle socks, my knee high boots and my "guy" steel toed work boots (just in case the knee high boots don't work out). I also packed my manicure set so that I could fix my nails while at the desk. Just as a precaution I called work to make sure no one was still there. As the phone rang and rang all my nervousness of being caught was

forgotten and left at home. I pulled into my parking spot and grabbed all my stuff. Digging through my purse for the keys to open the doors was such a girlie moment..... the cool wind against my legs was such a rush as I unlocked the door. I just knew I was going to remember this experience for awhile.

I walked thru the front office onto my way to my shipping office in the back warehouse. walking on the cemented floor in heels was a thrill as the sound was echoing around the warehouse. Soon I was sitting at my desk trying to feel as feminine as possible, but since my office isn't much of a sight I decided that I would take all my paper work back into the front office, and sit at an actual secretary's desk and use the computer there..... click click click echoing again as I walked the distance back to the front office. Once there, I felt so much more comfortable. I soaked up the atmosphere for a few minutes then dove right into my work. What a difference it is doing office work while pretty!!!! My typing seemed to be more accurate and quicker even though I did the "shoe dangling thing" because I just love watching the women do it. I glanced over at the clock and noticed that I was ahead of my planned schedule. Hmmm, 20 minutes to consume the office life as a girl, what could I

possibly do????? lets see????? Of course! Out came my manicure set! The whole hour of office time was the climax of the night, because unfortunately, I had to start doing some physical work. Which meant that I had to change in the proper gear. So I hurried myself to the washroom (sadly the men's seeing that I only have the key to that washroom!). Off came the dress, the hose, and the heels.... on came the boot cut pants, socks, shirt and knee high boots. The outfit actually looked pretty good, but I knew that I would have to change into my steel toe boots before unloading the trailer. So, I took my time to get to the receiving door.

The physical work was not really enjoyable to tell you the truth. So I won't say much about it, except that maybe the women drivers are crazy. After emptying the trailer I took a peek at the mirror and noticed my face was very mucked up from the dust gathering on my make up. I swear it looked as if I had been working in the mines.

By 3:30 I made my way back to my car to take the 2 minute drive back home. giving me about an hour to grab a bite to eat and wash up. A fun experience, but from now on, I'll let the "him" do the dirty work. I'll keep the office work for me!

## *Space Girls: The Next Generation!*

After weeks of planning, practicing and sewing new outfits The New Space Girls made their debut at Gio's on November 22nd at the "Sequins in Concert Show"! Our newest Space Girl Martina "Dream" Space was welcomed enthusiastically by all in attendance! We did two numbers "Move Over" and "Stop", in our five new really cool outfits!

"Best performance I've seen since Montreal's Pride last year" one audience member told us! "Love the choreography" and "Fabulous Outfits!" were among the many other praises

that were heard that night!

As always Masquerade members friends and family were there for support and we thank everyone who was there for us! Of Special note is Krystal, whose first time out, ever, was to a Space Girls show at Club Happenings a year beforehand! She's come a long way since then!

Space Girls "Minus 2" performed on December 5th at the "Butt Cracker Sweet" Hosted by Trojan Horse Giovanni at Club 200. It was a hilarious Christmas SpooF show! Ardra, Vanessa and Shandi rocked the

place to rave reviews with "Wreck The Malls" and "Walking 'Round In Women's Underwear". We have been asked to repeat the performance at Gio's on Saturday Dec 27th.

All shows raise money for the Snowy Owl Monarchist Society which donates the funds to various GLBT and Children's Charities in Winnipeg. We hope you will help support us as we support them.

Watch for the Space Girls Website coming soon!



*Posing with Krystal on her "Anniversary"!*



*Dream Space!*

*"Best performance I've seen since Montreal's Pride last year"*



*The "Rock Stars" Pose!*



*Complete with smoke and mirrors!*



*Aren't we shiny!*

## *At last, some CD Humour!*

### *The questions!*

1. Why won't airplanes fly when crossdressers get on board?
2. What do you get when you put a man, a woman and a crossdresser in a room?
3. Why did crossdressers make the best medieval knights?
4. Why did the crossdresser cross the road?
5. There are four women in the elevator. How do you know which one is the genetic woman?
6. Why do crossdressers lock their dresser drawers?
7. Why do crossdressers prefer dogs?
8. Why are crossdressers always getting in trouble with their wives?
9. What do crossdressers watch on ESPN?

### *The answers!*

1. A: There's too much drag!
2. A: One person!
3. A: They always got their "drag-on"!
4. A: 'Cause he wanted to experience life on the other side!
5. A: She's the only one not wearing heels!
6. A: Because they're afraid their pantyhose might run!
7. A: They like pants!
8. A: Because they like to make-up!
9. A: Drag races!

## *Important "Figure Facts"*

Facts on Figures : There are 3 billion women who don't look like supermodels and only eight who do.

Marilyn Monroe wore a size 14.

If Barbie was a real woman, she'd have to walk on all fours due to her proportions.

The average woman weighs 144 lb. and wears between a 12-14.

One out of every four college aged women has an eating disorder. The models in the magazines are airbrushed -- not perfect!

A psychological study in 1995 found that three minutes spent looking at a fashion magazine caused 70% of women to feel depressed, guilty, and shameful.

Models twenty years ago weighed 8% less than the average woman. Today they weigh 23% less.

An English professor wrote the words, "Woman without her man is nothing," on the blackboard and directed the students to punctuate it correctly. The men wrote: "Woman, without her man, is nothing." The women wrote: "Woman! Without her, man is nothing."

Beauty of a Woman~ The beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, The figure she carries, or the way she combs her hair. The beauty of a woman must be seen from her eyes, because that is the doorway to her heart,. The place where love resides. The beauty of a woman Is not in a facial mole, but true beauty in a woman is reflected in her soul. It is the caring that she lovingly gives, the passion that she shows. The beauty of a woman , with passing years -- only grows.

*Photo Page!*



*Martina Rockin' at our last party!*



*Vanessa and Chantal smiling  
about something!*



*Ardra party girl!*



*The President's new dress!*



*Who's that schoolgirl?*



*Who's that girl behind the camera?!?!?!?*

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*For the girl inside us all!*



## Birthday Girls!

*Stephanie Jan 2*

*Karen Jan 18*

*Sabrina Dec 10*

*Sandi Jan 7*

*It's Party time!*

We are a support group for cross-dressers, transvestites, and transsexuals. Our purpose is for people with like/common interests to associate and socialize. It is not for the purpose of soliciting or engaging in sexual activities.

All gender gifted individuals, who are 18 years of age or older, and are prepared to respect our bi-laws, are welcome. Spouses and significant others are encouraged and welcome to attend meetings and functions and join if they wish.

We regularly meet the 2nd Tuesday of every month. The meetings begin around 7:30 p.m. and go until 9 or 10. Refreshments, but no alcohol, are served. A \$3.00 due is charged to help cover costs of the tea & coffee, etc. that are provided.

We endeavour to maintain a very friendly, laid-back atmosphere. We are all there for the same reasons-a place to go to that is accepting, private and relaxing. Change facilities are available.

Dressing for the first meeting or two is not required, but encouraged!



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