

Just received the premiere issue of *CQ*. Congratulations! It is marvelous. I read it from cover to cover. Very interesting material. And, the mag looks great, too. Please give my compliments to Stephanie Rose on the layout. Very professional.

I'll be mentioning *CQ* in *Renaissance News* and in my magazines. Welcome to the pack!

—JoAnn Roberts, Creative Design Services

Many thanks for sending the first issue of the *Chrysalis Quarterly* to me. It reads well and you obviously have a lot of editorial skills so that it will soon be one of the outstanding journals in the field. Keep me informed of your efforts. Thanks again. Researchers such as me very much appreciate our entry and acceptance into the community through receiving such publications as yours.

—Vern L. Bullough

*The following letter is reprinted from "Pardon me Blanche, but What's Your Problem?: Advice and Information by Tutti", Etcetera, 19-25 April, 1991, 7(16), p. 46.*

Dear Tutti:

I'm a 22-year-old W/M that has since the age of 16 lived my life as a woman. I feel that one day I'll be able to have the surgery and have a relationship with someone who will love me for me and accept me as I am. I've never been to a gay bar or ever met anyone like myself. I'm a country girl and proud to be the way I am. I used to think that I'd never find anyone who would be able to live with the fact that I'm a woman inside and yet I have male parts. After reading your magazine I feel sure that I will. Thank you for giving me reassurance. It's hard making friends that will understand me, in such a small town. I'd like to meet other people who will understand this. You don't know how long I've wanted to talk about my situation.

—J.C., Newnan, GA

*Dear Dear Reader:*

*May I first say that you are not alone. Secondly, I do suggest that you contact AEGIS (Atlanta Educational Gender Information Service, P.O. Box 33724, Decatur, GA 30033. Perhaps you would be interested in their new publication, Chrysalis Quarterly, which is full of information for you and others.*

*(Tutti's advice was a big help to J.C., and we would like to thank her for referring J.C. to us.—Ed.)*

I received *CQ* yesterday and am compelled to write a note to you telling you what a wonderful publication you have started.

I read all of it all this morning. It took some of the veneer off of my buried feelings. There was not a more envious man than I when I read of Christine Jorgensen's "sex change" years ago. I don't know if I am TS or not and it's too late to find out, as I am 72 years old. Nevertheless, you have a great accomplishment in *CQ*. It is sorely needed to help CDs understand TSs. I could write a dozen pages right now but just don't have the time available.

God bless your efforts—and you!

P.S.... Stephanie Rose did such a fabulous job of laying out *CQ*. It is so easy to read. Lord have mercy! *CQ* is just plain Great!

—Miss Lee Frances, Secretary, Beta Chi Chapter of Tri-Ess

*Chrysalis Quarterly* is impressive and I congratulate you on your endeavor..

May God hold you in the palm of his hand, and give you the grace to be faithful, joyful, and at peace.

In His lovingkindness,

—Sr. Mary Elizabeth, SSE

*Letters should be sent to: Chrysalis Quarterly P.O. Box, P.O. Box 33724, Decatur, GA 30033*

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I was shown a copy of your publication by my friend Gianna Eveling Israel, and I am impressed enough to join AEGIS. As a preoperative transsexual who is interested in matters of gender, and who hopes to someday be a gender counselor, and who wants to keep her finger on the pulse of what's happening, I found the issue that Gianna showed me (Spring '91) to be informative and useful.

One of the articles—the one about Health and SRS—especially struck me, and frankly, left me in tears. I have been HIV+ for about five years, and I have been unable to find a surgeon who will do SRS on HIV-infected individuals.

—Name & address withheld  
by request

*In a recent lecture at the 1991 Southern Comfort Conference, David Gilbert, M.D., of the Center for Gender Reassignment in Norfolk, Virginia, addressed the issue of HIV. To paraphrase: there are HIV+ clients in the Norfolk program. HIV infection is not a categorical contraindication for SRS. All cases are evaluated on an individual basis. We will be featuring a full length interview with Dr. Gilbert in CQ #4 (Spring '92)—Ed.*

Thank you for the speedy response to my application and the extremely useful bibliography disc. I will definitely be able to use this in my own research. I can't emphasize how impressed I am with everything I've seen from your organization to date. I'm glad to see that AEGIS is top flight.

—George R. Brown, MD,  
Helotes, TX

Thank you for the copy of Chrysalis Quarterly. You are to be congratulated on putting together a very professional publication.

I should be happy to discuss the possibility of serving on your board of advisors.

—Kim Elizabeth Stuart,  
Oakland, CA

Thank you so much for the wealth of information about AEGIS. Your publication, Chrysalis Quarterly is terrific—timely, broad topics, superbly written. I've just started reading the materials you sent me, and they are most intriguing. Your booklet is also a fine piece. This is really a most impressive educational organization you have founded.

—Anne Bolin, Ph.D.,Elon  
College, NC

Thanks so much for sharing the information about the recent killings of transgendered persons in Atlanta. We here in Central Iowa read this material with a great sense of shock, grief, and anger.

Violence towards any person does a great grievance to the humanity of ALL persons. Transgendered persons are, indeed, specially vulnerable since they are often relegated to very marginal social status and granted less than the full human rights accorded to others.

The Central Iowa Gender Institute fully supports the movement towards full human rights for ALL persons, particularly transgendered ones. The day will come when we will have full human and economic rights. Keep this promise close to your heart.

—Susan McIntyre, MSW, Coordinator,  
Central Iowa Gender  
Institute

I would like to compliment you on your excellent new magazine. Wendy Parker blew into NYC last week and showed me a briefcase full of goodies, including Chrysalis Quarterly. I'd never seen or heard of it before, and was delighted by its intellectual bent. I was happy to see that Holly, a good friend of mine, was one of your contributors.

Mariette Pathy Allen, NY, NY

*You'll be glad to know that Holly is an editor, as well as a contributor—Ed.*

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