

meeting and voted on and approved by the general membership at the Oct. 14 meeting.

There were 68 people in attendance making this general membership meeting the best attended in the group's two-year history.

new Sunny Holmes, David Jacobs, Karen Donahoe, and Kevin Vaughan, whose terms expire in 1992.

The new board members bring to the board a diversity that some members of the gay, lesbian and

1992.

In other business, a resolution to limit the terms of board officers was tabled until a special by-law committee is formed to review this and any future change to the by-laws, said Dane.

Under sunny skies and comfortable fall weather, the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered community celebrated National Coming Out Day, Oct. 12 in a big way on the 1100 block of Pine Street. Under the direction of the Lesbian and Gay Pride of Delaware Valley, the block party had merchants selling wares, community groups raising funds and distributing their literature and live entertainment. Ted Faigle, an organizer of the block party and board member of LGPDV, said 5,000 people attended the 6-hour affair. (Pictured above, Keith Breitfeller, one of the organizers of GALA Visual Arts, which was in attendance at the block party.)

Obituaries



Dennis Paul Ellington

Dennis Paul Ellington, 38, beloved son, brother and, above all else, friend; died on the morning of Oct. 14 of complications related to AIDS.

Born on Nov. 25, 1952, Dennis spent the last six years of his life residing in Center City Philadel-

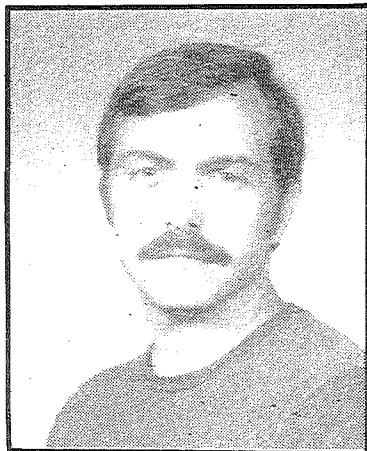
phia, until he was forced to move into his sister Nancy's home in Brigantine, NJ, this past July.

A former Greyhound employee, he was also a registered nurse who worked at Graduate Hospital caring for persons with AIDS until he himself could no longer work as a result of his illness.

Dennis is survived by his mother, Sarah Ellington; father, Charles M. Ellington, Sr.; sisters, Nancy Sechrist, Lona M. Bilotta and Karen L. Ellington; brother, Charles M. Ellington, Jr.; 10 nieces, five nephews and many friends.

He was loved and will be sorely missed. In keeping with Dennis' wishes, there will be a memorial service on Oct. 19, at 11 a.m. in the auditorium at the Graduate Hospital, 18th & South streets. Dennis also asked that in lieu of sending flowers, you make a donation either

to the Graduate Hospital or ActionAIDS.



Dennis L. Tretter

Dennis L. Tretter, 44, died on Oct. 3, of complications related to AIDS.

A resident of Center City and
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Rachael Harlow, former restaurateur and long-time local celebrity, is packing her bags and shuffling off to... well, San Francisco. She expects to head west sometime at the end of this month. Harlow said she is moving because "I decided it's time for a change."

AREA BRIEFS

Black gay men's rap sessions scheduled

The Black Men's Support Network (BMSN) has announced its schedule of rap sessions. The series is designed to deal with gay issues from the perspective of black gay men. All rap sessions will be held in the meeting room of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Delaware (GLAD), 800 West Street in Wilmington, corner of West and 8th streets, second floor.

On Oct. 13 at 5 p.m. the topic will be coming out. On Oct. 27 the topic will be relationships. On Nov. 10 the topic will be identity-black-gay gay-black. On Nov. 24 the topic will be heterosexism and homophobia in the black community. On Dec. 8 the topic will be racism in the gay community and on Dec. 22 there will be a holiday celebration with potluck.

For more information call Chuck Tarver at 302-571-9516.

P-FLAG's 10th annual workshop set

On Sunday Nov. 17, Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays/Philadelphia will offer its annual workshop, Coming Out to Your Parents.

The purpose of this workshop is to assist gays and lesbians who are coming out to

their parents. The afternoon will begin with individual and panel presentations from gay and lesbian children and their parents. After refreshments, a small group discussion will provide time for questions and one-on-one dialogue.

This is P-FLAG/Philadelphia's 10th annual workshop and organizers expect about 100 people to attend.

"This is our most important event of the year," said P-FLAG president, Esther Cooper. "Preparing young adults in advance helps them understand and anticipate what is happening; it prepares them to help their parents through the process."

For more information and times please call 572-1833.

Lesbian Cancer Network sponsors awareness month

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the Lesbian Cancer Network, along with the University of Pennsylvania Women's Center, is presenting a lecture on Oct. 18.

The lecture, "Well, What About My Breasts," will be given by physicians, other health care workers and former cancer patients. Topics will include the importance of early detection, surgical diagnosis, treatment and personal accounts of expe-

riences with breast cancer.

The Lesbian Cancer Network hopes to provide regular educational programs on cancer for the lesbian community as well as ongoing support for lesbians who have or have had cancer and their lovers, friends or care givers.

The workshop is scheduled to begin 7 p.m. in Houston Hall, 34th and Spruce streets on the university's campus. For more information call the TLC Network at 242-3323

Local bars go through changes

Two local gay bars are going through shape-ups. One will change the bar scene in the city and one hopes to change quietly in the night.

Rodz, located at 15th and Rodman streets, a relative newcomer to the bar scene, will make the most noticeable change when it opens what will be only the second gay and lesbian after-hours club in the downtown area.

In about a month, according to owner Jerold Feinstein, there will be an after-hours club called TYZ. In what used to be the disco/bar area plus an additional downstairs bar, TYZ members will be able to dance to their hearts delight until

the wee hours. Initial membership fee is \$20, with no cover.

The upstairs room has been transformed into the Cabaret at Rodz, a piano bar and the Cafe at Rodz, a restaurant serving dinner and Sunday brunch. In the summer there will be an outside deck that commands one of the best views in the city.

The oh-so subtle change has already happened at Raffles Bar and Restaurant on Camac Street.

Tom Schnepf and Paul Christner are the new owners of Raffles. They promise to carry on the tradition of Raffles that has been a major bar in the Philadelphia area since... well, for a long time.

Gay Republicans endorse Egan for mayor

The local chapter of the Log Cabin Club, a gay Republican club, has come out in support of Republican mayoral candidate Joe Egan.

According to a statement released by spokesman David Walter, 23 people attended the most recent meeting and voted to endorse Egan who, because of the death of Frank Rizzo, is a late entry to the race.

For more information on the Log Cabin Club call Walters at (609) 488-1160.