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Individuals	\$20.00
Partners	30.00
Organizations	40.00
Limited income	10.00
Supporter	100.00
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Lifetime	1000.00

MEETINGS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.
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Background

Hundreds of years of religious fundamentalists calling homosexuality "unspeakable" have kept us from using our voices and telling our history, isolating us, sometimes turning our anger against ourselves and making us believe, like abused children, that we are responsible for our own victimization. Too much of our history is the story of silence, denial, misrepresentation, and letting others speak our truth for us, if spoken at all. Perceiving a real need in Maine for an organization to tell our story, enumerate gay and lesbian accomplishments, and provide affirming presentations and discussions led to the concept of The Society.

Who was Leonard Matlovich

and why was he chosen to lend his name to our organization? Because he was a hero: courageous as a military man who was decorated in combat, courageous as a gay man who risked (and lost) his career by taking the U.S. Air Force to court for discrimination against homosexuals, and courageous as a man who died with dignity from AIDS. His epitaph, "Decorated for killing two men, discharged for loving one", epitomizes the valor of gays and lesbians from all walks of life who have gone both unsung and forgotten. We want to change that! We want to identify our gay and lesbian achievers and utilize this information to provide ourselves with a positive sense of history and community. We want to educate ourselves and the public regarding gay and lesbian accomplishments thereby effecting changes in attitudes. These attitude changes will then result in justice for homosexuals, i.e. societal acceptance and equal rights.

Please join us; we welcome everyone and especially celebrate and affirm the diversity of our community. Confidentiality is respected.

Membership Privileges

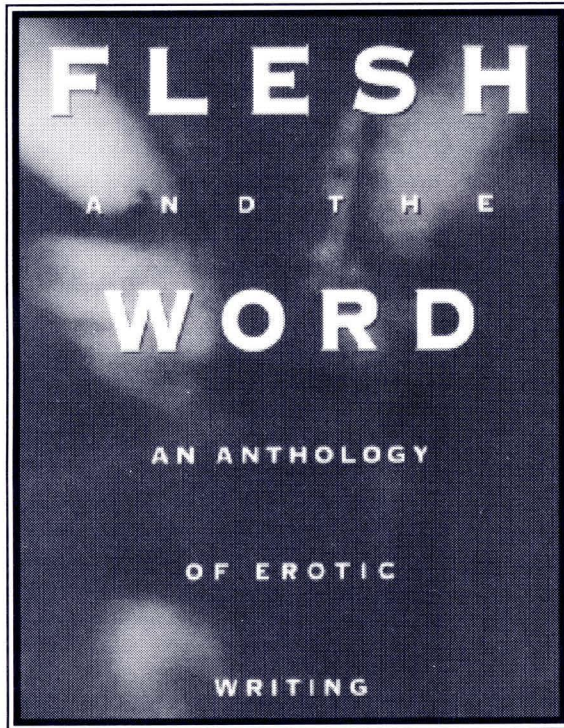
1. Bimonthly presentations and discussions led by recognized speakers.
2. Greater Issues Lecture Series: Bi-annual addresses by national speakers.
3. Educational/informational mailings.
4. A healthy affirming social environment.
5. Your financial contributions are 100% tax deductible!

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**IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE
THE MATLOVICH SOCIETY**

**Announces the Speaking
Engagement of**

John Preston



Thursday February 11, 1993

**Rines Auditorium
Portland Public Library
Portland, Maine**

seating is limited

**Winter / Spring
CALENDAR 1993**

14 January: John Greenberg: PWA and Director, Treatment Alternatives Research Project, NYC, speaking on "AIDS: An Open Systems Approach," a radical new understanding of AIDS, its context and treatment - a medical model without blame.

28 January: Gregory Anderson: Supervisor of Individual Services, SAGE (Senior Action in a Gay Environment), NYC, USA's largest program for senior members of the lesbian/gay community, talking on "Aging in Our Community: Are We Ready For Our Own Future?"

11 February: John Preston: Speaking on his new book, "Flesh and The Word," arguing that there's no difference between pornography and erotica.

25 February: Dr. Diana Long, historian and Women's Studies Director at U.S.M: What does scientific research on the origins of homosexuality tell us? Come hear Dr. Long speak on: "Haven't We Seen This Before? An Historian Looks at Scientific 'Explanations' for Homosexuality."

11 March: "How The Quilt Speaks to Us: An Evening of Storytelling, Music, and Poetry": accompanying the display of a 12' by 12' panel of The Names Quilt. Co-sponsored by The Names Project, as a kick-off of a three month visit of the Quilt to Maine.

25 March: Dr. Gary Leupp: Professor of Japanese history at Tufts University, presenting an illustrated lecture on "Nashoku: Homosexuality in Japanese Culture."

Programs are held: Rines Auditorium
Portland Public Library, 5 Monument Square
7:30-9:00 P.M.



For your information:

20 February:

"Freedom, Glorious Freedom: Achieving Freedom as a Mature Lesbian/Gay Person"
Speaker John McNeill, a former jesuit priest and author of "Taking a Chance on God: Liberating Theology for Gays, Lesbians and Their Lovers, Families and Friends and The Church and the Homosexual." Sponsored by DIGNITY.
For more info call: 422-3140.

7:30 P.M. The First Parish Church
Congress Street, Portland, ME

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Hate/Bias Crime Log
626-8844.**

The A.G.'s office takes all calls seriously to aid in prosecuting, and gathering enough information to get the ME Human Rights Act amended.

**The 12' by 12' Quilt panel is
available for display.**

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