

HOOK-UP

The *GNIC Network* is hooked into the Uni-net national computer system. That means that users are able to access the *GNIC Network* by simply making a call to the nearest Uni-net access point. In many cases this will mean that you can access the *GNIC Network* by simply making a local phone call. Uni-net provides service to over 250 cities in the U.S., as well as Canada and abroad. All you need to get hooked into the *GNIC Network* is any personal computer or terminal with a 300 or 1200 baud modem. Once you join, we will give you a private ID number, a password, and the local access number for your area.

HOURS

At the present time, system operation is 24 hours every day of the week. System is down for short periods of time for system maintenance and routine accounting work.

CONFIGURATION

The *GNIC Network* consists of the following equipment:

- Motorola 6809 computer
- 768KB main memory
- 5MB floppy disk
- 20MB hard disk
- TI-810 printer

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INFO ON THE
NEWEST GAY NEWS
& INFORMATION
SERVICE AVAILABLE**

QUOTES

Here's what a few of our hundreds of callers had to say about the *GNIC Network*:

"Thanks for the demo... I will be sending in my \$25 check this afternoon. Looks like a real nice setup..." —Portland, OR

"Yea! It's about time we had a way to communicate without some big snoop watching." —Union City, CA

"Gay groups exist on The Source and Compu-Serve, but access is awkward and inconvenient. I await your implementation of a similar communications medium without all the hassles." —Frenchtown, NJ

"The system looks good. I live in a non-urban area, and we sure could use news faster than we get it now" —Charleston, IL

"For only \$25/year plus usage and connect charges, I will definitely subscribe. Check is on the way." —Chicago, IL

"I enjoyed the demo, and wish you well on this venture. Following receipt of your brochure, I will join." —San Francisco, CA

"This is one of the best ideas in years. I want to be a correspondent from my home town. Please tell me how I can join right away. We have needed a system like this since the movement began." —Chicago, IL

"This system appears to be very well run, with absolutely super response time." —Washington, DC

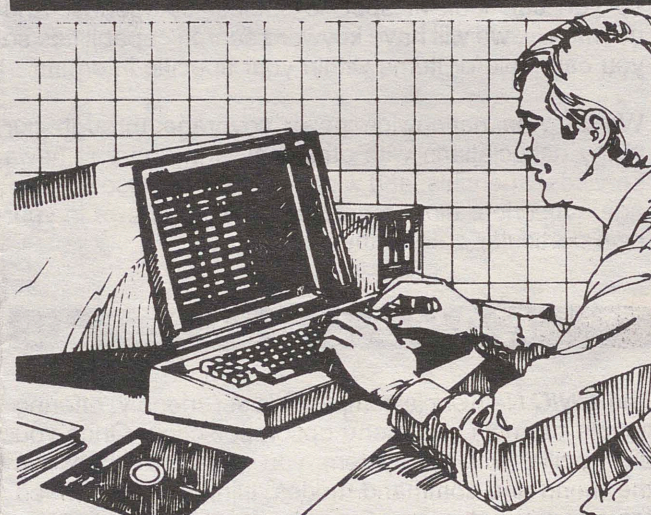
"My telephone bill using those long distance bulletin boards is much too high. I love the fact that I can reach you with only a local phone call." —Newington, CT

"A very nice system." —Louisville, KY

"This is really super! About time too! My check will be on the way shortly. The projected improvements and expansion sound real good. Can't wait." —Springfield, IL

"The connection rates on The Source are too high. I can't wait till you go on-line with a less expensive alternative." —Mesa, AZ

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G.N.I.C. Network

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NEWS

The Network carries the latest gay and lesbian news from across the entire nation. All news items are categorized and dated. In order to see what's happening in your area, the system provides regional and statewide selection. Each news item is also categorized so you can look at specific subject categories. And eventually, we will have keyword search capabilities so you can look for items within your specific interests.

We provide nationwide news coverage through our many associations with other gay and non-gay news services, agencies, and wire services. We also encourage subscriber input regarding the latest news in your own particular area of the country.

EASE OF USE

The *GNIC Network* is completely user-friendly, offering simple prompts and menu option selection. Once you are familiar with the system, you can switch between the menu and command modes, eliminating the need for long menu displays. From the command mode, you can switch back at any time to the menu mode.

COMMUNICATIONS

Probably one of the most exciting parts of the system is the communications section. The possibilities are endless. Groups and organizations can speed announcements and important correspondence across the country to their members. Users can communicate with their friends, or other users who share the same interests. The list of possibilities goes on and on. Some of the communication functions are:

- Electronic Mail.** Send letters across the country to a single user, or simultaneously to many users.
- Chat.** Where users can "talk" in a multi-channel, multi-user environment with other on-line users.
- Legi/letter.** Will allow users to write letters on important issues to any state or federal representative. The system will contain suggested letters concerning current gay issues and pending legislation.
- National Bulletin Board.** A general purpose bulletin board, where any user can post any notice. Particularly useful for organizing groups, meeting others with the same interests as yourself, selling or buying something, and on and on.

INFORMATION

Subscribers will have access to over 50 different data bases, including an entire data base of gay/lesbian businesses and organizations (over 6,000 entries). The business/organization list will be able to be displayed by region, state, area code, or city, as well as by type of business or organization. (ie. you might request a listing of all the gay theatres in New York City.) Entertainment schedules for some of the larger cities will be carried, as well as travel and hotel information for the many different gay resorts. A separate data base will have movie and theatre reviews for films and shows currently playing/showing. Other data bases will include articles and feature stories regarding health and medical problems, legal information, legislative tracking, and much much more. Future data bases will be determined significantly by user input and suggestions.

FUTURE

Some of the features we have planned for the near future include:

- Personal Computing.** We intend to open up our computer system to the users, allowing you to use the power of our system for your own computing. Fortran, Basic, and Pascal will be available, as well as access to many of our data bases.
- Line Printer Service.** The GNIC line printer will be available.
- Disk Storage.** Each user will be allocated a quantity of disk storage space at no additional charge. Use of space after the initial amount will be billed at the end of each month.
- Catalog Buying.** An on-line purchasing system where you will be able to shop through our catalog of merchandise, and order directly through us using your bank charge card.

The rest is up to you, the subscribers. We will make every effort to include as many features and applications as we possibly can. We are counting on you to make recommendations and suggestions to us regarding what you would like to see on the network.

FREE DEMO

So that you can get the actual 'feel' of what using the *GNIC Network* is like, we are offering a free, no-obligation demonstration. To take advantage of this offer, simply dial (516) 423-2733 using a 300 baud modem and your computer or terminal. Once connected, press your -return- or -enter- key a few times until the system asks you for your ID number. At this point, just press your -enter- key again. And that, follow the directions displayed on your screen, and enjoy.

CHARGES

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	\$25.00
MONTHLY USAGE FEE	8.00
CONNECTION FEE	
Direct Dial (per hour)	3.50
Uni-net (per hour)	5.25

Hourly charges are based on actual connection time, and prorated to the next higher minute with no minimum connection charge per call. Each user will be charged the monthly usage fee for each and every month in which the account is open. All present features and services (including all those outlined in this brochure) are available for the basic connection charge. Some features (to be announced in the future) may have additional charges for their use. Charges are billed monthly, with payment due upon receipt of invoice. Rates are subject to change without notice.

☐ **YES!** I want to join the *GNIC Network*. Please mail me my individual ID number and initial password. I have enclosed my check for \$25, which entitles me to one full year subscription to the service. I also understand that there is an \$8/mo. usage fee and an hourly connection fee for this service. I agree to pay all invoices immediately upon receipt.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone (optional): _____

My computer is: _____

Signature: _____

Mail Completed form along with your check to:

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