

### Julia Barnett

Julia has been active in the pro-choice women's movement for several years. Her past paid employment includes AIDS education and outreach to street youth and injection drug users, and she is presently working for Street Outreach Services (SOS). She has been actively participating in the goals of AAN! and, in particular, is active in the activities of the AAN! Women's Caucus.

### Alan Cornwall

Alan has been actively involved in various activities of AAN! over the past 2 years, including the TIE Committee and the Membership and Recruitment Committee (conducting orientation seminars for new members). As a lawyer, he has also assisted AAN! and the TIE Project in dealing with legal issues as needed.

### Bernard Courte

Bernard Courte has been involved in AAN! since its inception, actively involved in the Media Committee. He has also initiated the Equipe Francophone (Francophone Team), which has been producing Traitement SIDA since May 1989 and French versions of many documents and flyers produced by AAN!. He has worked on the desktop publishing production of AIDS Action News!, Traitement SIDA and, until TIE was set up (Jan. 1990), Treatment Update. Prior to his arrival in Toronto, he was involved in CSAM (Montreal AIDS Committee) in 1985-86.

### Greg Pavelich

Greg has been a member of AAN and an AIDS activist since its original founding meeting at Jarvis Collegiate on Feb. 4, 1988. He has been a member of the Public Action Committee and various smaller groups and has organized and participated in most AAN! demonstrations. In the Fall of 1989, a need was seen for a fund raiser and Greg took on this role and has since, along with the fundraising committee, held various fundraisers and developed the AAN! T-Shirt as part of the fundraising effort and to increase AAN!'s visibility in the community. He would like to take on the fundraising role for another term. He believes that AIDS is an issue that affects all of us and needs determined community action.

### Michael Smith

Michael has been an AIDS activist for 5 years and has worked with AAN! since its founding with special emphasis on the TIE project and prior AIDS issues. He has been sick since 1985 and diagnosed with full-blown AIDS since 1988. He is involved in AIDS issues outside AAN! including "Another Man", a record and rock video dealing with AIDS, the Prisoner AIDS support Network, and "PLWA = Person Livid With AIDS", a show dealing with the daily grind of living with AIDS. He is a grass roots activist with a firm belief in empowering ourselves as individuals and communities to create health care based on peoples' needs, not corporate policies and profits.

Ric Hatt

Ric has been very active with AAN! over the past year, including work on the Steering Committee, Provincial Issues committee and many other projects. He has represented AAN! to the Ontario AIDS Network, and is active with the OAN HIV+ Task Force. He has recently joined the PWA Foundation speakers' bureau.

Darien Taylor

Darien Taylor has been the coordinator of AIDS ACTION NOW!'s Media Committee over the past year. She has spoken publicly as an HIV+ woman on behalf of AIDS ACTION NOW! on a number of occasions. She helped to bring together the newly-formed AIDS ACTION NOW! Women's Caucus and co-produced with Mary Louise Adams "This AIDS pamphlet is about women" for this year's International Women's Day. She is the co-editor of the Canada Council-funded "Speak Up! Speak Out! Project", an anthology of works by women living with AIDS and HIV. She wrote "Testing Positive" for this past spring's issue of Healthsharing magazine. She is interested in becoming co-chair of AIDS ACTION NOW! because she thinks that it is very important that AIDS ACTION NOW! work with, and be seen to work with, the various communities affected by HIV and AIDS.

Doug Wilson:

I have been a member of AIDS Action Now! since its formation, and have been active on a wide range of AAN! activities. As a member of the Steering Committee for the past year I have served on the Membership and Recruitment Committee. I am AAN's delegate to the National Network of People Living With HIV and am currently the Chair of the National Network.

I work as a human rights consultant.

TIM MCCASKELL

Tim McCaskell is a founding member of AAN! and served as Chair (1988-89) and co-Chair (1989-90). Tim's major focus for 1990-91 would be to work to improve AAN!'s ability to integrate new members and to make sure that all those who wish to help can find a productive and supportive place in our organization. He has been active with other AAN! members in establishing a membership and recruitment committee over the past year.

Bill Downer

I have been involved with AAN! since May of 1988 when we burned Jake Epp in effigy. My involvement with AAN! has been primarily through participation in various demonstrations. In the spring of this year I became involved in the AAN Fundraising Committee and from time to time can be found in various bars begging for money! Seriously, though, the fundraising committee is a very important part of AAN! and I plan to continue working on it in the future.

I have been an AIDS worker at Street Outreach Services since April of 1988. AIDS is an issue in my life both personally and professionally, and I think it is extremely important to support political organizations such as AAN! As a member of the AAN! Steering Committee my involvement would become more formalized but my heart would remain grassroots. AAN! must not lose sight of the importance of political activism in issues affecting people living with HIV/AIDS and their friends and families.

Glen Brown

I have been a very active member of AAN! since its founding meeting in February of 1988. I have worked on a wide variety of tasks, including public actions, administration, lobbying and research. For the past year I have acted as co-chair, and I am running for a second term. I look forward to the continuing challenge of building an effective, diverse, democratically accountable organization working politically and in coalitions to improve the lives of people living with HIV/AIDS.

I work as a communications officer for Ontario's faculty, and am active in CUPE, Lesbians and Gays Against Apartheid and Rites.

Linda Gardner

I have been an active member of AAN! for over year. I am a member of the Treatment Information Exchange and Women's Caucus Committees. However, most of my work in the group to date has centered around the issues of anonymous testing and quarantine. For the last 5 years I have worked as a counsellor at Hassle Free Clinic, and I am on the boards of Maggie's (self-help project for prostitutes), the Gay Asians AIDS Project and the AIDS Cable Show. I have also been active in socialist feminist politics in the Ontario Coalition for Abortion Clinics, International Women's Day Committee and the March 8th Coalition. I see the need for an activist organization fighting for the needs of people living with HIV/AIDS.

Dave Kendall

My interests lie in treatments and equal access to them for all diagnosed with AIDS/HIV. Since finding out in October of 1989 that I have full-blown AIDS, I've looked to the established AIDS organizations to see where I could best help. In July, I attended

a financial access sub-committee meeting of AIDS Action Now!, and believe it to be the group to pursue the agenda of fair treatment for AIDS/HIV affected individuals.

Pieter Huisman

I am employed at the AIDS Committee of Toronto as the Financial Officer. For the past two years, I have been responsible for the bookkeeping and financial reporting for all of ACT. I have been a member of AAN! for two years and have served as Treasurer since March of 1990.

Roger Spalding

I have been a member of AIDS Action NOW! since March of 1988, involved with the lobbying committee and the Steering Committee during that time. In 1990-91, I would like to work for greater accessibility of treatments for people living with AIDS/HIV through efforts at both the federal and provincial government levels.

Terry Sands

I have been a member of Gays and Lesbians of the First Nations for 2 years, and for the past year have served on the GLFN board as Vice-President. I want to do all I can to help out the situation for people with AIDS/HIV.

James Thatcher

James is a member of the AAN! committee working on provincial health care issues. He is a facilitator with the Body Positive group and is involved with fundraising for the Lesbian and Gay Community Appeal. He has been a gay activist since 1975, and has recently been re-energized by HIV/AIDS concerns.

Sean Hosein

Since December of 1988, Sean has been the Editor of Treatment Update/TraitementSida which provides summaries of the latest advances in AIDS and HIV-related treatments. He has attended international AIDS conferences for AAN! and has worked as an HIV treatment resource person for community-based groups. He sits on the board of the Treatment Information Exchange project in Toronto and is the Ontario representative to the Canadian AIDS Society's National HIV Therapies committee.

Stefan Collins

Stefan is a founding member of Black Positive (an HIV/AIDS support group for Black men), a board member of the Black Coalition for AIDS Prevention, Black Gays and Lesbian AIDS Discussion, A.Y.A, and Unity. He is member of the Ontario AIDS Network HIV+ Task Force.