

## Boston's Representatives

Women will be well represented on the Olympic team. A women's softball team comprised mainly of women from the 1270 softball team in the Beantown Softball League, will be a strong entry. This team has played for two years in the well-established local league and even beat the champion Chaps team in a scrimmage game. With more depth at every position, the team has greatly improved on its first season. They have practiced regularly throughout the summer and emphasize good defense and selective hitting.

Although the majority of women from the Boston Chapter of the Gay Olympics are participating in the softball tournament there are several other outstanding female athletes who will be participating in boxing, billiards, physique, marathon, and running events. Men's individual athletes will include a swimmer, a tennis player, two bowlers, and several runners.

Doug Stenson is a marathon runner who is also a member of the Athletic Congress. He participated in the GayRun82 in New York this spring and is also a member of the Front Runners.

Most of the players on the Olympic basketball team have played together for at least two years. Last winter they played at Boston City Hospital and at UMass-Boston. Two of the teammates are from Boston's original basketball team of several years ago, and a few of the others have played as much as five years with the team. Bob, the coach of the Ramrod softball team, will coach the squad which has practiced and drilled four times a week throughout the summer. The team features an ex-collegiate starting center and several former high school players.

Lastly, the volleyball team is the one group which had more players than could be accommodated. This team has a lot of experience playing together and has been playing at least twice a week for several months. Jerry Friedman has been a pleasant addition to the squad and is now captain. Jerry has participated in the National Junior Olympics volleyball team and played college volleyball. The team has played this summer in a "straight" league and is now in second place out of ten teams. The Olympic team is drawn up from members of the Pleiades, a Boston gay competitive volleyball group.

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