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**Dear Gear Queen,**

*My problem concerns my tits.* Not that I have a lump (praise whomever) or any medical complaint. It's my constant

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**Dear Ms. Richardson,**

Yeah, it's a pain not being able to walk into a store and find the perfect thing (or at least something

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disappointment of hauling 38L breasts into a 42DD harness with piano wire bra straps. Imagine the grief involved in going to a leather shop and knowing the corsets and other chest decorations are meant for smaller women, or for huge cups on a pencil frame.

I need advice on finding a corset designer that can design for a large frame. It would be *nice* to get a designer who likes a large body with large breasts, and who would not be afraid to mold a brassiere that could be built into (or match) a corset that could control a full bust during a rigorous spanking workout. (Nothing's worse than a jiggling bust colliding with an underarm during a paddle's downstroke, is there?)

I don't have \$1,000 to spend, and I don't want to pay good money just to have some anorectic child laugh (barely) behind my back. Under \$300 would be nice, but under \$200 would be a miracle. (Oh yes, a person who'd know a reasonable supplier of thigh-hi leather boots for large calves or thighs would be ever so neat to know.)

I'm facing facts - no matter how well I wield a flogger, the ability to have supportive, sturdy clothing to play in adds to my comfort and confidence. I would be very grateful if I can find answers in your new (so necessary) magazine.

Thanks for your attention.

Yours (maybe, at reasonable rates)

M. T. Richardson

P.S. Any advice, Ladies, on buying a men's suit (ready-made or tailored)? None of this breast-binding genderfuck for me: however, it would be helpful to know how suits fit on women whose proportions aren't similar to Rush Limbaugh's. (If life were only so simple; a good suit, a bit of makeup, and one on-air sex act with one of his loyal fans, the radical right's hearts would skip a beat, as one...)

halfway acceptable) in a size made for real people. Luckily, you have other options.

If you sew or have access to someone who sews you can make your own corsets. They

are time consuming but not particularly difficult to make and the patterns are *easy* to alter to accomodate a more (or less) generous endowment. (The same can't be said for suits. Don't try them at home without a lot of skill and experience to back you up!)

Amazon Drygoods' pattern catalog (\$7.00ppd) has a wide variety of period corset styles and sizes (among other things), and their General Catalog (\$3.00ppd) sells the busks, boning, etc. you'll need to make one. I also recommend their Shoes & Boots Catalog (\$5.00ppd) for *custom made footwear* including thigh-hi boots! Most shoes are in the \$150-300 price range and the price is per pair *regardless of size*. This pricing system means that if you're dressing a doll you're buying a very expensive pair of shoes, but if you're a supersize fat girl you're getting a great deal! (*Amazon Drygoods, 2218 East 11th Street, Davenport, IA 52803-3760, 319-322-6800*)

If you don't sew you can hire a patternmaker or seamstress to make things for you. You might not want to go to the local seamstress, but if you contact local clothing design schools and the costume departments of area theaters I'm sure you'll find someone who would *love* to make a suit or leather bra and waist cincher combo for a hot fat top with big breasts.

I'm pleased to tell you that there is a corset maker who specializes in large women. I run a company called BERTHA (see ad elsewhere in this issue) and *I'd love to dress a body like yours!* -April

P.S. Anybody out there got a source for bras in size 38L? Let us know!

**Do you have a lust for something you can't find? Do you know where to find someone else's lust object? Write to the Gear Queen c/o FaT GiRL!**