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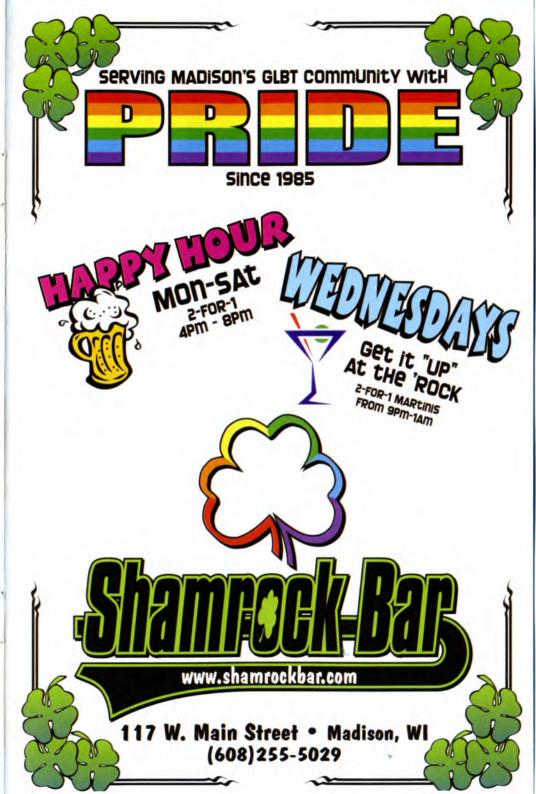
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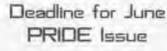
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Music Review

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TAURUS 4/20-5/21 Your talent has a chance to come out. Make sure you stay on top of "policies and procedures". This could be the start of something big.

GEMINI 5/22-6/21 You're worried about a woman that has nobody to help her. Enjoy somebody's company around mid-May. Moving is on your mind.

CANCER 6/21-7/22 You're happy, which is pretty weird, because you're under a lot of pressure right now. There need to be some boundaries set in your relationships with women.

LEO 7/22-8/23 Your victory is a "half" victory. There's more that you want, and you will not be satisfied until you say you are.

VIRGO 8/23-9/23 There's some extra money in the coffers this month. Secrets will come out at the end of May. You don't like that someone is trying to make a ccommitment for you, without consulting you.

LIBRA 9/23-10/22 Be careful who you p.o. this month. You just might need their help. Then won't you look foolish? Sign up for the travelin' band. SCORPIO 10/22-11/22 The time is right to find new friends. The old ones don't want to play anymore. You knew this day might come. At least, you should give it a rest.

SAGITTARIUS 11/22-12/21 Start the month excited about the future. There's a mystery uncovered around mid-May, How could you know?

CAPRICORN 12/21-1/20 You feel like you're fighting for something you don't really believe in. Take advantage of your position. You've earned it.

AQUARIUS 1/20-2/19

Intelligence will out. Old trouble early in the month is easily solved, and brings you to the attention of somebody important

PISCES 2/19-3/19 The month starts well enough. Boredom hits around mid-May, followed by rough weather involving women in your life.

ARIES 3/20-4/20 The team will help keep you stable this month. You're not happy about something. There's a reality staring you in the face. Decisions are waiting for you.

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lower the weights. palms facing behind YOU. Switch back to

repetitions

arm to extend it overhead. Pause, lower the weights. and repeat for six to eight reps.



the original hand position at the bottom and repeat for eight to 10

2. Alternating Overhead Triceps Extension/ Biceps Curl

Hold one dumbbell in front of your thigh (palm forward) and the other next to your head, with the weight behind your head and lower than your elbow. Curl the lower dumbbell up as you contract the triceps of the other

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everyone, we hope this helps. Use this information for both your body and your mind and become a fit fag for summer! Remember, summer means PRIDE MONTH! Until then...

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Take My Advice by Taima Hall

Dear Lady Taj,

I know this is a hot topic right now, but I wanted to get your opinion on it anyway. There seems to be a lot of talk about illegal immigration, and people say that they should have equal rights, and some say that they shouldn't have the same rights and not allowed in the United States. What do you think Miss Hall?

Curious to hear, Jack

Hi Jack

This is a very hot issue right now. have had this conversation with a wide variety of people and opinions on the subject vary. I am of the strong belief that we all come from illegal immigrants. I feel that all of our ancestors came to the United States looking for better opportunities and found them. I think we should give people the same rights today. I think we should shut up and stop talking out of both sides of our mouths. We. the United States of America. always want people to open up and accept us yet we are the first to want to dismiss people who we think do not belong. Just think ... there are a lot of Christian

groups who consider homosexuals illegal immigrants, there are a lot of racists groups who consider Americans of other ethnicities illegal immigrants, there are some Republicans who consider Democrats Illegal immigrants. ... I think you get what I am saving. Ladvise all Americans to take a look at your ancestry and see what right you have to judge others who want a better life for themselves. Lets give a little of the love we want from everyone else and show the world that we are the most powerful country with the most open and loving people.

Lady Taj

Miss Tajma Hall,

I've been reading and hearing a lot about State Pageants and some are "open" and how some are "closed". Now I know that their are advantages to both cases, but what do you think? I know that "closed" pageants usually have prelims to their State level contest and are usually guaranteed a number of contestants, but "open" pageants can have any contestants from anywhere compete, but not guaranteed a number til the day of the photographs by Glen Mitchell. Here's a way to liberate your fitness program and in more ways than one." Fit Together" presents a new and revolutionary system of resistance exercises to do with a partner exercises that couples can do anywhere, anytime. Glen Mitchell's exquisite photographs beautifully show off the sculpted forms of the two authors as this book reveals ways of working out that are more stimulating than ever imagined.

Okay, most of us are never going to become fitness cover models but Owen McKibben's "The Men's Health Cover Medel Workout' makes it seem almost possible. Here is a terrific way to learn the secrets to a great body, from a guy who knows them all. It is no accident that Owen McKibben has appeared on more Men's Health covers than any other model-or that those covers have been the best sellers in the magazine's 15-year history. He personifies the goals of the Men's Health reader. So what can you learn in "The Men's Health Cover Model Workout?

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Simple. You can learn to carve incredible abs in less than 5 minutes a day, build totalbody muscle in 3 hours a week and best of all.

how to eat more to fire up your metabolism and fuel your muscles

Maybe you're already pretty fil but lust after that elusive 6-pack. No, not a 6pack of Miller Light but the sort of carved 6-pack that will be the envy of all your friends. Well look no further than Kurt Brungardt's "Essential Abs." The author of "The Complete Book of Abs" and creator of the "Abs

of Steel for Men" video, Brungarst has created a simple routine that will bring maximum results and fast! His easy step-



by-step, 6-week program shows you how to make ab exercises more effective by integrating them into a quick total-body workout. Whether you're a couch potato or a fitness fanatic, Brungardt can help you finelune your techniques for rock-hard abs in no time.

Now it's time to put the books to the test and try to do a exercise or two. Motivation boys! Get up off that couch and put the bon bons down, here we go!

Get more out of your workout without lifting more weight. This upper-body routine merely puts a few twists in classic lifts to deliver impressive results. And it's a nice departure from working your chest, shoulders, back, and arms piecemeal. For the best results, perform the exercises 3 days a week, resting at least a day between workouts. Do two or three sets of each move, with 60 seconds of rest between sets.

1. Incline Twisting Row Lie facedown on a bench set at a 45-degree angle. Hold a pair of dumbbells at arm's length with your palms facing each other. Pull the weights up so your elbows pass your torso. Flare your upper arms out to the sides and

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Spring: The Time for Getting into Shape!

Hot Health & Fitness Illies

Everyone should be concerned with health and fitness issues everyday throughout the year. Yet it perhaps never seems as important as in Spring, when the weather is starting to warm up and layers of clothing are shed. How will you look in those cute form-fitting T-Shirts as well as that sexy, all-too-revealing swim-wear? Well, it's not too late to firm up for Summer and the books below are a great way to get started.

There's no place better to slart then Jon Griswold's seminal "Basic Training," a bestseller which came out a few years back and proved to be something

more than just another introduction to fitness. Sure, Griswold's text was a terrific source of userfriendly

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information that would assist any man to achieve a healthy body and a fit lifestyle. But where "Basic Training" really excelled was in the photo illustrations from celebrated photographer David Morgan. Morgan's camera captured porgeous, fit models in gorgeous, hot images that made "Basic Training" the colfee table book of choice for many gay men

"Basic Training" was such a success that author Jon Griswold recently released, "Beyond Basic Training." With fabulous photo illustrations from Augustus Butera, "Beyond Basic Training" is the perfect guidebook to a fully

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integrated program that synthesizes core training with the new fitness trends of the

twenty-

First century. Giswold cuts right to the chase encouraging readers to define goals and set up training strategies, then immersing them in efficient and effective routines to meet those goals, "Beyond Basic Training" is an essential resource for anyone who wants to kick up their workouts to a higher level and see dramatic and permanent results. And the photos are amazing!

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Fitness gurus Eddy Goicolea and Arruda Berg know that working out in the gym with a partner can be especially effective - with the right partner - and have created the perfect training manual for couples."Fit Together: How to Double Your Workout Results with a Partner." pageant. Again, i would like to hear your side of the story.

Sincerely, open vs closed

Dear Open vs Closed,

This is an argument that really can not be argued. There is a reason that people are both for and again a pageant being opened or closed. There are states that have a large number of female impersonators who love competing and those female impersonators feel that with the large number of competitors. there is no reason for an open pageant. There are also states with a small number of female. impersonators who like to compete therefore having a closed pageant will either produce the same winner quite a few times or completely destroy the system. I really think each state must evaluate their group of entertainers both established and beginners. Each state should look at it differently based on how much interest they have in that state: I would much rather see a state with little interest in competitions open their pageant to others than see the same four girls pass the title among themselves. I suggest each state do this and share your results so people will understand why you open or close your state pageant.

Miss Tayma Hall

To Taj,

Girl, you know its spring time and I just gotta hear how our lovely Taj spends her time getting geared up for spring! Do you do anything fitness related, I know I do, It's walking down to the nearest KFC. LOL. Anyway, give a shout back!

Stopping to smell the flowers, Mama Jane

Hi Mama Jane

Spring is here and I am oh so excited As much as I love to eat believe it or not I also want to remain healthy. I walk my doggie much more in the Spring and Summer so that we both shed some of the winter fat. It is important so that when I walk the beach we both make men want to stop and talk to us. I also spend more time visiting the botanical gardens and smelling the fresh flowers. It reminds you of all the varieties God has put on Earth. Don't forget I love a cookout so when you are about to drop something on the grill give me a call and I will be right over.

The New Lady of Spring Taj

Well boys and girls its time for us all to start practicing the art of loving others as you would have them love you, treating others as you would have them treat you and talking to others the same way you want them to talk to you. So join Lady Taj and let the sunshine in! Love you all...

Lady Tay

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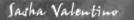
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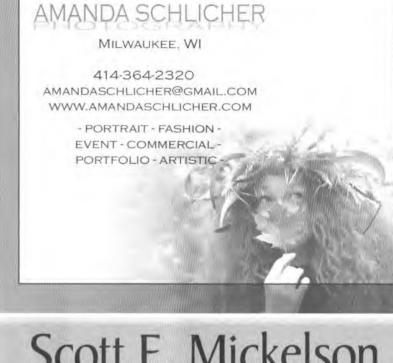


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Eapital Headlines by Nikki Baumblatt

COMMUNITIES UNITED AGAINST HATE

The Wisconsin Center for Pluralism and a broad-based Madison and Dane County coalition presents "Communities United Against Hate." The first of the three part workshop was held on Tuesday, April 25th at the Madison Labor Temple. The well attended event was led by Madison Police Detective Alix Olson and focused on Understanding Hate Crimes.

The second of three parts is Making Our Voices Heard and is slated for Tuesday, May 2nd at the Warner Park Community Center In this workshop we will hear testimonials from our neighbors who've experienced Hate Crimes. A reception is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., with the program beginning at 7:00 p.m..

The final workshop to be held on Tuesday, May 9th, will zero in on Taking The Next Steps: A community strategy session to further mobilize groups and individuals in a coordinated response to hate crimes. The workshop will be held at the Madison Senior Center, 330 W. Mifflin St. There will be a community dinner at 6:00 p.m. with the program following at 7:00 p.m. For more information: Call John Quinlan at (608) 213-8409 or contact the Wisconsin Center for Pluralism at CUAHWI@aol.com or www.wispluralism.org.

NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR **OUTREACHAWARDS**

OutReach is seeking nominations for its 2006 Annual Awards. The awards will be presented at the 14th Annual OulReach Awards Banquet on Friday night. July 7th at Monona Terrace.

Awards will be presented to the Volunteer of the year, Ally of the year, Organization of the year. Man of the year and Woman of the year. Nominations will also be accepted for a Lifetime Achievement Award.

For more information go to www.outreachinc.com and click on "Nomination Form" or call (608) 255-8582 or email: commrel@outreachinc.com.

DANE COUNTY FAIR WISCONSIN COALITION

The Dane County Fair Wisconsin Coalition meeting is slated for May 3rd. This is a coalition meeting for organizations in Dane County opposed to the ban. If you are interested in the meeting please contact Pabitra Benjamin at pabitra.benjamin@fairwisconsin.com

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Stone Butch Blues as well as two nonfiction books on Transgender activism. Feinberg will be at Room on May 4th at 5:00 p.m. to read from her latest novel, Drag King Dreams.

Reserved Seating Tickets for this event are \$25 and include a reserved seat at the event and a copy of Drag King Dreams. A voucher for the book. redeemable at the event, will be included with each ticket. To order tickets, please call (608) 257-7888, or visit our store in person: 307 W Johnson Street, A limited number of general admission seats will also be available on a first come first serve basis free of charge. This event is generously co-presented by The Madison Transgender Support Group. All proceeds from this event will be donated to ROOF - A Room of One's Own Foundation - a community focused not-for-profit entity.

Dorothy Allison, acclaimed author of Bastard out of Carolina and Cave Dweller among other favorites will be at A Room of One's Own Bookstore on May 5th to visit and talk about the writing life.

Dorothy Allison is a renowned writer, unapologetic feminist, working class story teller. Southern expatriate, and a happily born-again Californian. She is currently a writer in residence at Columbia College in Chicago and is working on her third novel. She Who. Allison founded The Independent Spirit Award, a prize given each year to an individual whose work with small presses and independent bookstores has helped to sustain that enterprise. The award, administered by the Astraea Foundation, is designed to encourage the people and

institutions which are so vital to supporting new writers and to introducing readers to works that might otherwise go unheard and unread. This event is free and open to the public.

MADISON PRIDE IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD VOLUNTEERS!!

If you're an advocate for LGBT rights, someone who wants to do their part to defeat the Constitutional Amendment and you're between the ages of zero to 110, Madison Pride 2006 needs your help NOW!!!

Pride weekend will be July 7-9 and we need help with everything from set-up to break down and all stops in between. This Pride event promises to be a very special affair as we plan to use this opportunity to let the voters in this State know that we are real people with real families and relationships.

Yet to accomplish this, we need assistance! If you have a time between now and pride weekend (including Pride weekend), please email

volunteers@madisonpride.org. You can either let us know what areas in which your skills and interests reside, or we can tell you where we need help. We greatly appreciate your donation of your time and energy.

Finally, Madison Pride 2006 is looking to represent our entire community. This means that we need to put our differences aside and work for a common goal. Abraham Lincoln once said, "A house divided against itself cannot stand." And

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while are enemies are attempting to do just that, we need not give them a helping hand! Ultimately, your future and our future as LGBT communities rests in your hands!

Please check out our website at www.madisonpride.org. It is being updated constantly, so please check back as you will find new information about all aspects of Pride.

DOOR TO DOOR CANVASSING

The May 6th and May 20th Door to Door Canvass will be the second and third canvasses of the year in Madison, Wisconsin, Door to Door canvassing is the best way to outreach to people around the state on this ban. We know from experience that personal conversations are the best way to educate people about the ban and identify voters opposed to the ban. There is nothing to be nervous about. Canvasses are fun! Everyone always starts with the butterflies in the stomach and then find that they are addicted to going out and talking with people at the doors.

We will start at 10am with a training on how to talk with people at the doors, tips on what to do when canvassing, and background on the campaign. After the training, we will be at the doors from 11am to 2pm then debrief back at the training center.

The location is to be announced. For more information contact Pabitra Benjamin 608-441-0143 ex 318

pabitra benjamin@fairwisconsin.com

10th ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF LEADERSHIP

GLSEN Scholarship & Awards Banquet will be held on Saturday, May 20, 2006 at the Monona Terrace.

Since 1997, Madisonians have been marking their calendars each year for the annual Celebration of Leadership Scholarship Dinner. For one night, GLSEN-SCW has gathered together almost 400 people to award four scholarships to high school seniors who have promoted respect for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) issues and people in their schools. This spring we hope to expand our event to reach over 500 people who are committed to our students.

GET YOUR GLO ON

Welcome in summer and "Get Your GLO On with Madison Pride's "GLO Party" Join us on Sunday, May 28th at Club 5 (5 Applegate Ct.). Admission for the evening is \$5 will all proceeds going to Madison Pride 2006.

Enjoy the Memorial Day Weekend in your brightest whites and colors under the black lights. Dance to high energy with a Club 5 D.J. Glo sticks will be available everyone has the chance to win some exciting door prizes. For more information go to www.madisonpride.org or email: Nikki@madisonpride.org.

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Shannon Dupree Benefit Show to Send Her to Nationals Saturday, May 6–10 pm

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2nd Annual Rainbow Over Wisconsin Brat Fry - Auction - Show Sunday, May 28 3 pm till close Show Tun# 9 pm



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Second Congregational Church 318 N. Church Street Rockford, Il 61101 June 3rd 8pm-11pm

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Important Message from President of Dykes on Bikes Madison we are currently planning our Madison Pride event and recruiting riders and volunteers for our fundraising event at the picnic all proceeds are being split between Madison Pride and Outreach this year, please email president at:

dobmadison_usa@tds.net

We are inviting as many bikers as we can get here to fight our ban on the Marriage amendment.

In Remembrance of Rodney Shield's friends, partners, and family we stand united to present to you many up coming Leather events in Wisconsin. For those of you that just came out, Rod was owner of **The Washington Hotel** and gave his heart to Madison and the leather community. The Washington Hotel burned to the ground 8 years ago and left Madison in shock for quite some time.

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Next month's issue will be devoted to **Pride** so I encourage all biker groups to contact me so that we can get you in the magazine as to where we will be gathering for all events, rides and parades.

Please send your comments and letters to me so that we can respond to them. Look At That "the leather store" 438 N. Frances St. Madison, WI 53703





Hope you all enjoyed last months article on leather care.

Well if you know Joey and Kent (the utility kilts bears) Kent and Joey moved into their new home on Madison's up and coming North side back in March as well. Kent and Joey are getting married in Vancouver, Canada in May. Their house-warming party was great, we all wish you a long and healthy life. As we were leaving Joey gets honors of backing up my Harley. He loves that so muc, such a kid in a candy store. Donovan and Michael celebrated their 20th anniversary on St. Patrick's Day last month.

It was nice seeing Michael Seele president of Four Lakes Bears and his long life partner Donovan. We talked about having a Bear gathering at Rainbow Valley Resort in the Dells sometime this summer so please write and let us know what month will work for Everyone, or Contact Michael Seele at 608-527-6822 or Strekbear@aol.com to RSVP.

Bears oh my! Who are the Bears? Well they are not harbinating for the spring. They are roaming the streets of Madison looking for members, participation and cubs to play with.

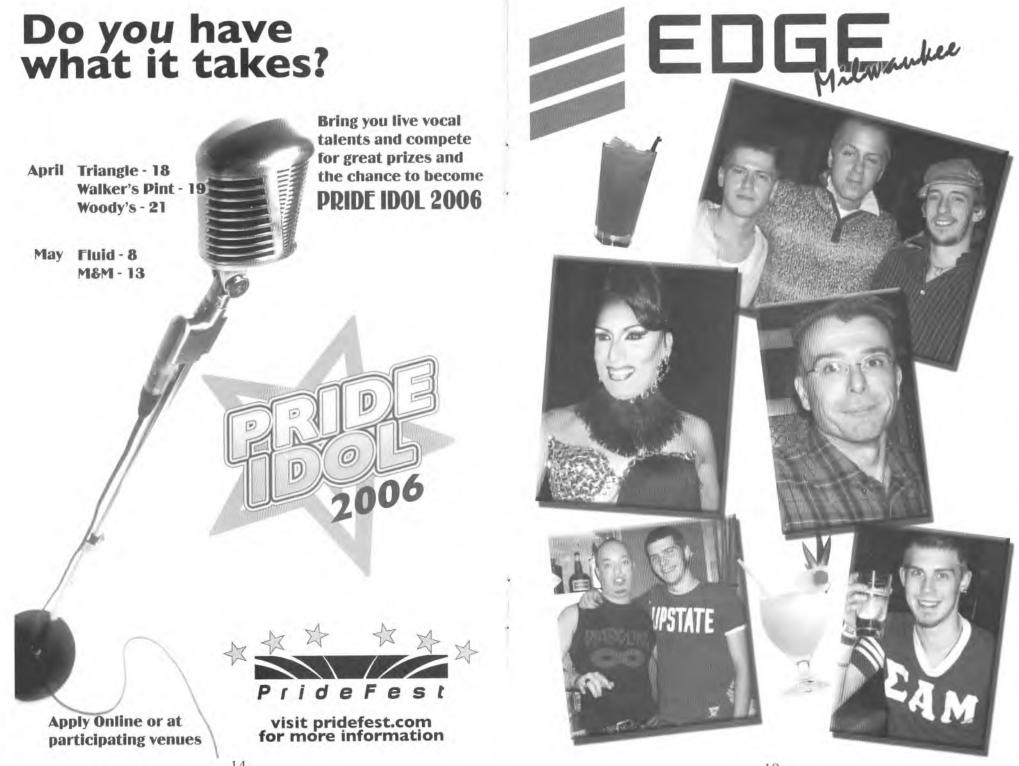
Four Lakes Bears **Coffee** • Each Thursday at 7:30pm •**Michelangelo's**, 114 State St. Seating is first come, first served - just look for the big group of guys! Any members interested in having dinner downtown before the Thursday, should meet in front of Michelangelo's between 6:15 and 6:30 pm. Chuck Is the current club president.

The Brew City Bears is a men's social group whose purpose is to promote friendship and social acceptance of big men, bear men and their admirers, within and outside of the gay community. The Brew City Bears sponsors monthly club events, both bar-related and non-bar related. Members are encouraged to be active in planning and implementation of club events to the extent each member feels comfortable in doing so. Club events have included: holiday parties and summer picnics, as well as group outings to theme parks, movies, bowling, museums and the alike. Every Friday, Frontier's Dining Outers (except for the third Friday of the month) the Frontiers group meets at the Shamrock Bar, 117 E Main. Madison, 608-255-5029, for Happy Hour at 6:00 PM. Then at 7:00 PM. they decide on a place to eat.

The Cardinal Bar has Fetish Night on the second Tuesday of every month, it is gay owned and is worth checking out. Remember, going out alone is no fun so get your dyke leather friend or your bondage buddy to go with you!

The Inferno Bar is a leather, lace, fetish, punk, and bondage and is on the corner of Sherman and Commercial. If you need information at either at the bars mentioned above please call 608-663-2453 ask for Toby.





Music Review by 🛛 j Tîm



Caughtivating Soundtrack and now a club anthem properly done for

Wings, the emotional main theme of Brokeback Mountain. Originally conceived as a beautiful and remarkable piece of art and then awarded with Oscar Award to composer Gustavo Santoalalla, the song became a secret underground song that was really easy to get messed with some dance elements. That's a pretty good idea and remixed the song with a quality level and released a commercial single it's ten times better.

Tony Moran's version is the most club available song and i'm really loving it. Plus Gabriel's version makes a one of a kind song. The single caught the attention to Clubs who had played the song on all of their formats and give a very good ode to this lovely and very dramatic song. How can we forget Wings ocassionally will become a really anthem to love? Nobody expected it but with such a good movie what else can you do?!



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longevity (22 years and still going strong), but for its total party atmosphere and, of course, at Mardi Gras time of year this party atmosphere is off the scale! To coincide with the world renowned Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras, Midnight Shift has drafted UK DJ legend Wayne G (of "Twisted" fame) compile and mix the Mardi Gras at Midnight Shift double CD compilation, featuring hot new tracks from Bananarama, Syke 'N' Sugarstarr, The Source feat. Candi Staton, Dannii Minogue & The Soul Seekerz, Motiv8 feat Jocelyn Brown, A'Studio feat. Polina, Kristine W and many more! Also included are six amazing remixes by the incomparable Wayne G himself. Mardi Gras at Midnight Shift - Mixed by Wayne G is the perfect non-stop gay party CD!

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In our Community ...

EDGEword

This month's community member Joel Z Mr. Wisconsin USA 2005

WOW showhat an incredible year this has been! First to my friends and family who have supported me throughout the years, so many in fact I haven't enough space to mention you all, but you know who you are. "THANK YOU" from the bottom of my heart, for without your love and support, I first would not be the person who I am and would not have been able to accomplish the goals I have reached.

To my Brothers, the Mr.'s before me, thank you for your personal contributions, you all have brought a special quality to this title. To my promoter and friend, Michael K. thank you for keeping the Mr. Gay WI contest one of the best and most memorable events of the year, you will always have my support.

To the contestants running for Mr. Gay WI, you now are my new brothers, thank you for making this such a great and special year, "good luck to you all". To the new Mr. Gay WI "congratulations"....Enjoy your year as our new Mr. Wisconsin You will have my support, love, and friendship, call on me at any time. Now to the audience, for with out you we would not be here, it is because of you that we do what we do, and that is to entertain, I love you all. "THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH" Your Mr. Gay WI 2005-Joel Z