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by Dr. Jeffrey Chernin

This is the time of year that we get together as a community to celebrate "who we are, who we were, and who we are becoming." Stonewall is commonly referred to as heralding the gay liberation movement in 1969, but our modern history started long before that.

In 1942, Jim Kepner started collecting LGBT materials, from which he founded the International Gay and Lesbian Archives in 1951. In 1952, Dorr Legg and several others began ONE Incorporated and ONE Magazine. In 1954 the U.S. Post Office confiscated an issue of ONE, declaring it obscene. The crew fought back and won a Supreme Court ruling in 1958, which has paved the way for the incredibly diverse LGBT literature as it stands today.

In 1994, after expanding their services, the two organizations merged their materials to become ONE Institute & Archives, creating the world's largest collection of historical documents of the experiences of LGBT people.

I had the good fortune to attend the grand (and I mean grand!) opening of the new home to ONE Institute & Archives at the University of Southern

California on May 6th. Looking over the vast amount of historical literature and attending the opening ceremonies filled me with a sense of pride. It also filled me with gratitude that these fierce leaders had the forethought to chronicle their experiences while fighting for their convictions. I learned so much, and realize that I have so much to learn. Lisa Ben, founder of Vice-Versa magazine (in 1947!), Jim, Dorr, and others of their time showed extraordinary acts of courage during a time of complete oppression.

These people rightfully felt proud of their accomplishments. We, as they, also have a right to feel proud about overcoming the obstacles we face. We can feel good about maintaining self-respect and dignity in the face of people who hate us just for being LGBT. We can feel pride about being ourselves when just being ourselves is risky.

As a community, we have come out

in huge numbers, thanks in part to our own raw courage, but assisted by our founding mothers and fathers. We can also thank the Dr. Lauras, Helms, and Falwells of the world, who have helped us by forcing us to become organized, determined, and fearless, as well as proving, through their absurd comments and hate-filled actions, that we are not the people they proclaim us to be.

Although we have a lot to be proud about, we have yet to come to terms with as a community, and with the last few stumbling blocks removed, we would have the right to complete and total pride.

The first challenge to consider is that many smaller cities and towns are still pre-Stonewall. Many people who live in small cities are in constant fear of being outed and being harmed. It is up to us to publicly confront homophobia where we find it.

Another hurdle to overcome is the attitude of feeling superior to other people or groups. For example, many gay men disparage lesbians, many lesbians belittle gay men, and individuals in both groups put down bisexuals, drag queens, overweight individuals, and older LGBT people.

Yet another hurdle to overcome is our lack of outrage at the self-destructive behavior among a segment of our population. In particular, I'm referring to LGBT people who abuse K, GHB, crystal, and other drugs of destruction. As a treatment provider for gay and bisexual men who are addicted to crystal, I have seen the literal devastation of many men's lives. Drug use is not confined to gay men in large cities, but it seems to be concentrated there, and no one is speaking up. And what HIV is now failing to do to us, crystal has taken its place.

Therefore, this LGBT pride day, I'm going to re-dedicate myself to overcoming my own prejudices, speak up when people put segments of our community down, and speak out against drugs of

destruction. And I am asking you to join me, to realize that every lesbian, gay male, bisexual, and transgendered life is precious. I ask you to join me in recognizing that our personal well-being is influenced by the health of our community, and the more respect we have for all members of the LGBT community, the more healthy each of us will be.

I'm going to ask every reader to join me in considering perhaps the biggest challenge--to not hate those who hate us, to recognize that every homophobe is to be pitied. Concentration camp survivor Victor Frankl once said that prisoners in the camps died only once, but the guards died every time they shouted an order at the prisoners. This LGBT Pride day and beyond, I'm going to recognize that Fred Phelps and people like him die on a daily basis, and I am going to look past their narrow minds and into the humanity that is buried beneath what is surely self-hatred, knowing that even the hardest of hearts can be softened.

On this LGBT Pride day, I'm inviting you to know how strong, beautiful, and powerful you are. And that no matter what, no one can take away our history; our ONE, our Stonewall, our defeats and our triumphs. You have the right to feel proud--not just for being lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transsexual, but to know that surviving to this day is a triumph.

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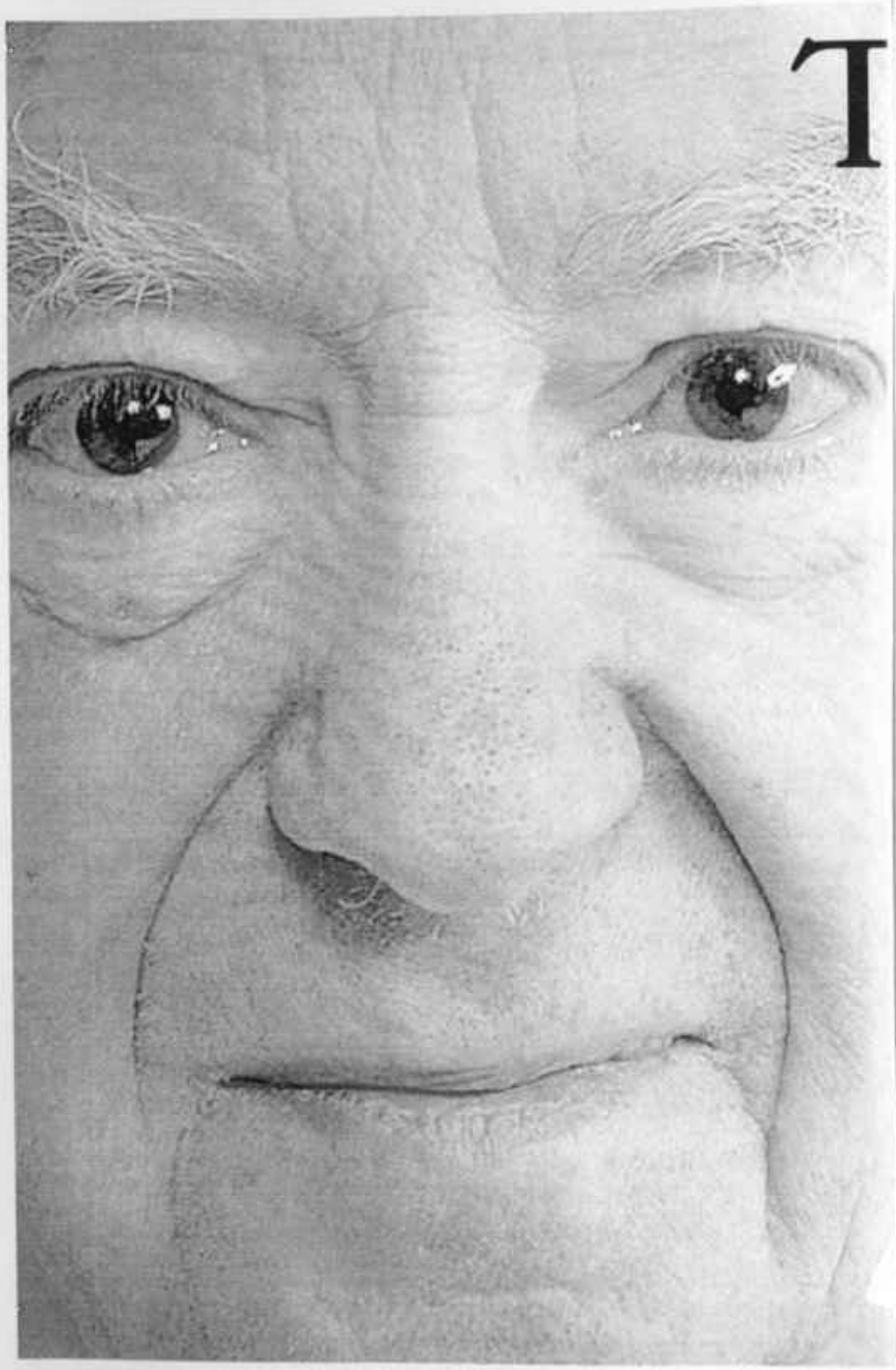
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THE AGING FACE OF SOCIETY

by Eldon E. Murray

Except for a few persons on the far right politically and a few fundamentalist Christians, most people today no longer believe that gays and lesbians are sick, sinful, immoral criminals. The stereotypical gay male (seen as super effeminate, bitchy, and unable to defend himself) and the stereotypical lesbian (seen as super masculine, foulmouthed, and a muscular brawler) are known by all to be very rare birds in our community. In a sea change from just a few years ago, today very few gay men and lesbians hate themselves simply because they are homosexual. Those persons in society who still cling to the outdated, hateful views about homosexuality are said to be guilty of homophobia (the fear of homosexuality).

There is another phobia (fear) that is rampant in our society: Ageism. Ageism and age-phobia are as bad as racism or sexism and are only beginning to be talked about in the media. Let's look at some of the stereotypical conceptions about growing older: Young is good, old is bad and all older people are mentally incompetent, have physical disabilities, are forgetful, have no sexual desire or sex in general. Older people are also considered ugly, funny, odd, and simply do not count. Seniors are rigid, inflexible, and resist the slightest change. This is only a partial list of the baleful views about aging. (See sidebar for a list of damaging ageist terms.) As with most stereotypical views, these are grains of truth which have been stretched out of proportion.

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Over the Hill	Fuddy-duddy
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Rickety	Gramps
Debilitated	Granny
Decrepit	Troll

Of course there are downsides to growing older, but there are downsides to every age group. For example we tend to talk about the "joys of childhood" while tending to overlook the downsides of childhood diseases like measles and mumps, to say nothing of being totally dependent on adults for almost everything. Young adults have the difficult problems of getting started in life as individuals. By mid-life the fears of growing older have been so firmly implanted that many persons go through a "mid-life crisis", being unable to cope with the thought of growing older, yet knowing it is fast approaching.

These stereotypical views and fears of aging affect the way we treat older people in our community as well as the larger society. Unlike some foreign cultures where age is revered and older persons are highly respected, in our culture seniors are too often completely dismissed as being of no value whatsoever. "Pay no attention to that old biddy. She's out of it." "Get away from me, you dirty old man" (This from a 35 year old to an older man in a gay bar, when he sat down next to him on the only available seat at the bar.) "He's so old he can't even remember his name, let alone learn to work a computer." "Happy twenty-fifth birthday! From here on

it's all down hill to the grave." (A birthday greeting card). By the way, the next time you are selecting a birthday card, notice how many are ageist slams. Some are downright diabolical: "It is a good thing your eyesight dims when you get older, 'cause then you can't really see the awful nursing home you will wind up in." (This greeting card is supposed to be funny, but think how you might feel if you received it!)

One would think that only younger people are guilty of ageism, but frequently it is older persons who do not wish to accept the fact that they are getting older are the ones who perpetuate ageism because of their irrational fear of growing older.

Recently in a sex advice column, a gay man in his early 60s was accusing younger men of being ageist since he was only turned on by persons in their 20s and they were not interested in him sexually, regularly turning down his advances. The advice columnist rightly pointed out that the man in his 60s was the ageist one since he also would not go to bed with older men!

Recently an older man confided in me that he still thinks of himself as nineteen and does not like what he sees in the mirror each morning because it reminds him that he is getting older. He complained that he had reached an age when no one was interested in him sexually and he said he didn't blame them. I didn't say anything, but I thought that he might look better to himself if he visited a dentist and did something about his mouth full of rotting teeth. He also might have more success sexually if he bathed more often. Obviously he has simply given up on his health and his looks and his ageism fears were self-fulfilling.

When we came out to ourselves and accepted our same-sex orientation as being right for us, we also learned by accident to question other mainstream values in society. We know what discrimination means and the pain and suffering it can cause. Therefore, by and large, the LGBT community is more accepting of those who are "different" than

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society as a whole. I won't say that racism, sexism, and ageism do not exist in the LGBT community - they do - but I will say that those-isms are not as virulent as they are in the larger society.

Ageism is probably more common in the LGBT community than the other hated-isms. Our community can be so very youth oriented. After all, deep down we all know that ageism is wrong as surely as we know that every day we are getting older.

We all should do some deep thinking about the process of getting older. Persons in the LGBT community are actually in a unique position to lead the way in the fight against ageism, in the same way we fought to gain the recognition that same sex orientation is not to be discriminated against. The next time you find yourself putting down older persons, stop and think about the fact that someday you will be one of those "older persons." Look at the side bar of putdown words and think how you would feel if they were used against you.

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20 Years of AIDS

AIDS has had a tremendous toll in the United States. Since the first case was identified in 1981, 774,467 AIDS cases have been reported*, and approximately 450,000 Americans have died.

"AIDS continues to have a tragic impact, not only on those who have died or are living with HIV infection, but also on the many friends, families, and entire communities that have been forever changed by the epidemic," said CDC Director Jeffrey P. Koplan, M.D., M.P.H.

Today an estimated 500,000 to 600,000 people in the United States are living with HIV infection, and another 320,000 people are living with AIDS. New infections, which peaked at over 150,000 in the mid-1980s, were reduced to an estimated 40,000 a year in the early 1990s. Since the beginning of the epidemic, well over one million Americans have been infected.

"At this solemn milestone, the best way to honor those lost to AIDS is to stop the spread of the disease," added Koplan. "As we remember those who have died, we must recommit ourselves to prevention on a national, community, and personal level, or we greatly risk seeing infections rise again. As a nation, we must also express our gratitude to the many who have dedicated their lives to the fight against HIV and AIDS. Many lives have been protected through public health interventions

that have reduced sexual and drug-related infections, ensured the safety of the blood supply, reduced mother-to-child infections and protected healthcare workers. But, even more can and must be done."

New CDC study finds high rates of infection among young gay and bisexual men

As the agency recounted the tremendous toll AIDS has had, CDC released new data showing that 4.4 percent of young men who have sex with men (MSM), 23-29 years of age--and 14.7 percent of African-American MSM in this age group--were infected annually in a six-city study conducted between 1998 and 2000. This high rate of new infections, combined with recent increases in STDs and risk behavior among MSM, suggests that HIV incidence may be increasing in this population, adding to what has become a major crisis 20 years into the AIDS epidemic.

HIV incidence was 3.5 percent among Latino MSM, and 2.5 percent among white MSM in the study.

HIV incidence indicates the number of people newly infected with HIV each year—as opposed to prevalence—the total number of people with HIV, regardless of when they became infected. These preliminary

incidence data are from the ongoing CDC Young Men's Survey and come on the heels of data released earlier this year indicating that HIV prevalence among African-American MSM in the study was 30 percent.

The results were released in a special June 1 issue of CDC's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report entirely dedicated to AIDS. The MMWR commemorates 20 years since a 1981 MMWR carried the first reports of the then-unknown disease. In addition to the study on MSM, the June 1 MMWR includes articles on domestic and international trends in the epidemic over 20 years and a commentary on HIV/AIDS by Helene Gayle, M.D., M.P.H., director of CDC's National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention. CDC released the special issue at a press conference at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., where it also outlined the agency's new prevention strategy to cut HIV infections in the United States in half within five years.

Commenting on the new study results, Dr. Gayle said, "This study has documented the dramatic impact HIV is having among gay and bisexual men of all races and the urgent need to expand our prevention efforts for these men, particularly in these African-American communities." Dr. Gayle cautioned that the sample size was small and the findings may not be representative of all gay men. However, with the extremely high incidence, CDC believed the release of these data were of critical public health importance. Even the lower bound of the 95% confidence interval, 7.9%, indicates an extraordinarily high level of infection among African-American MSM in this study.

The study was conducted by CDC epidemiologist Linda Valleroy, Ph.D., and colleagues, and sampled 2,942 MSM, age 23 to 29 years, at public venues in Baltimore, Dallas, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City and Seattle. Of the 2,942 MSM, 373 were HIV-positive, of which 290 could be tested for recent infection. The study builds on an earlier CDC study on HIV prevalence and incidence among 3,492, 15- to 22-year-old

MSM in seven cities, also detailed in the June 1 MMWR article. Together, the studies indicate that the rate of new infections increased substantially between adolescence and the early twenties, underscoring the need to reach each generation of at-risk MSM early.

CDC's new HIV prevention strategic plan—announced in January—is highly targeted to both HIV-positive individuals and populations at high risk for infection, including MSM of color. Responding to evidence of a possible resurgence in HIV among MSM, the agency has convened two meetings with researchers and community representatives from across the country, which resulted in a recent public health bulletin to state and local health departments and community based organizations outlining prevention priorities for MSM. Today's data follow multiple reports over the past year of increasing rates of STDs and risk behavior. CDC will convene additional meetings in the future, plans to issue detailed technical guidance to the AIDS community this summer, and will provide specific training on this issue in the fall. "We must address the urgent prevention needs of African-American and Latino gay and bisexual men, especially young men," Dr. Gayle said. "Efforts must continue to be tailored to the specific needs of these men, expanded where needed, and embraced by the affected communities in order to be effective." Gayle added that programs for MSM of color must address the stigma of homosexuality which prevents many of these men from identifying themselves as gay and bisexual and may keep them from accessing needed prevention and treatment services.

CDC currently provides almost \$400 million to state and local prevention programs targeting high-risk individuals, including MSM. To expand HIV prevention efforts for MSM of color, this year CDC is providing \$12 million in direct funding to community-based organizations to develop and implement programs tailored to the needs of this population, and \$3 million to national and

regional organizations to provide training and technical assistance to groups serving MSM of color.

The third decade of AIDS — CDC's new HIV Prevention Strategic Plan

CDC outlined the agency's new HIV prevention strategic plan at the press conference, describing the three-part plan to cut annual HIV infections in the United States in half within five years. The strategy includes: mobilization to increase the proportion of infected individuals who know their status; new prevention programs for individuals living with HIV, combined with improved linkages to treatment and care; and highly targeted prevention programs for HIV-negative individuals at greatest risk. The plan expands CDC's existing approach to prevention by reaching the nearly 300,000 Americans who

are HIV-positive but do not know it, and linking all of the 800,000 to 900,000 HIV-positive Americans to prevention and care services.

CDC's new HIV prevention strategy builds on the central role the agency has played in the nation's response to AIDS. CDC's surveillance programs have tracked the course of the AIDS epidemic since the first case reports in 1981. The agency, through public health field and laboratory research, the promotion of proven behavioral interventions, and the implementation of targeted prevention programs nationwide, has contributed to significant reductions in sexual and drug-related infections. CDC also led efforts to ensure the safety of the national blood supply, to reduce mother-to-child infections from an estimated 1,000 to 2,000 per year to 300-400 today, and to protect healthcare professionals from infection through universal precautions and post-exposure therapy. All of CDC's accomplishments have been achieved in part-

nership with state and local organizations.

In a special commentary, Dr. Gayle reviews CDC's contributions throughout 20 years of AIDS and provides perspective on both the U.S. and global epidemics. She offers encouragement that progress against AIDS can be made, while emphasizing the major commitment that is required.

"When AIDS was first identified in 1981, the nation could not have foreseen the enormous toll the disease would have in the coming 20 years," she said at the press conference. "With the subsequent benefit of research, knowledge and experience, we as a nation are now obligated to confront this epidemic more boldly. We owe it to the people reflecting on the epidemic 20 years from now — whose lives will be greatly affected by decisions made today — to invest ourselves in the one known cure for AIDS: not becoming infected in the first place."

LGBT Youth at Risk for Abuse

The largest U.S.-based human rights organization has released a report stating that the government's failure to protect lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) youth in schools from discrimination and harassment constitutes a human rights abuse. The groundbreaking report by Human Rights Watch should lead to immediate change in policy and practice at the federal, state and local levels, said the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN), the largest national network of parents, students, teachers and others working to end anti-gay bias in schools.

"This report changes the terms of the debate, bringing anti-gay harassment and discrimination out of the closet and into our

national discussion on school safety and educational access," said Executive Director Kevin Jennings. "The daily abuse suffered by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students can no longer be dismissed, by principals or politicians, as simple 'teasing.' This harassment is pervasive and exceptionally violent, it prevents young people from getting an education, and it deserves immediate intervention."

The report, *Hatred in the Hallways*, chronicles the experiences of 140 youth, as well as 130 youth service providers from seven states. Offering a detailed list of federal, state and local policy recommendations, authors Michael Bochenek and A. Widney Brown suggest, among other things, that states enact nondiscrimination laws to protect LGBT students, and that schools facilitate the formation of gay-straight alliance clubs and other in-school supports.

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ing clear that our schools and elected officials can no longer 'tolerate' these abuses," said Director of Public Policy MK Cullen. "Now is the time to enact laws and policies that will protect all students, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity/expression. GLSEN and its allies will call on lawmakers nationwide to act upon these recommendations in the name of creating a safer school day for all."

GLSEN is the leading national organization working to end anti-gay bias in K-12 schools. Established nationally in 1995, GLSEN has become one of the premiere voices for safety and equal treatment in America's systems of education. For more information, visit <http://www.glsen.org>.

Doctors Don't Talk Sex

Four out of ten health care providers don't ask their gay and lesbian patients about their sexual practices, according to the second annual GayHealth.com(TM) online survey.

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BY KATHLEEN DEBOLD



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Avoiding the subject of sex puts these patients at risk for HIV, HPV (human papillomavirus) and other sexually transmitted infections.

Over 35% of men and 44% of women surveyed said their doctors never ask them about sexual practices, and 22% of men and 30% of women said their doctors "rarely" ask. The survey, conducted between April 12 and May 18, 2001, included 184 women and 724 men.

"It's crucial for doctors to talk to and educate their patients about sexual health, especially their gay and lesbian patients who may feel stigmatized and uncomfortable with the subject," explains GayHealth.com's medical director, Stephen Goldstone, M.D., F.A.C.S.

Over 40% of the men surveyed said they have not been vaccinated against either hepatitis A or B, potentially fatal viral liver infections spread through sexual activity. Men who have sex with men are at higher risk than the general population for these diseases.

"Every gay and bisexual man should be vaccinated against hepatitis A and B," says GayHealth.com's associate medical director, Susan Ball, M.D., M.P.H., assistant director of the Center for Special Studies, Birnbaum Unit, HIV Care Center at NY Presbyterian Hospital. "They are serious conditions, especially for patients co-infected with HIV."

The survey also found that many lesbians are not getting the gynecological care they need. Almost 18% of women surveyed said they've never visited a gynecologist, and 23% said they haven't visited a gynecologist in over two years.

"Regular gynecological exams -- including pap, pelvic and breast exams -- are extremely important for lesbians because they can detect abnormalities," warns Kathleen DeBold, executive director of the Mautner Project for Lesbians with Cancer. "Yearly pap smears are our best defense against cervical cancer." Most cervical cancers are caused by HPV, which can be spread by woman-to-woman contact.

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United Way, BSA Agree on Funding

United Way in Chicago and the Chicago Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) have reached an agreement that will continue United Way support for Scout programs that are open to all youth.

The agreement was reached after extensive discussions between the two organizations following a U.S. Supreme Court deci-

sion in June, which granted the BSA the right to establish membership and leadership criteria as a private organization. The Supreme Court case arose out of a New Jersey Boy Scout council's decision to expel a Scout leader who had identified himself as gay.

The program that United Way money will support is called Learning for Life. It helps boys and girls in the public schools develop life skills and explore career opportunities. The program is offered in over 60 Chicago public schools and includes worksite-based learning through hospitals, police departments, law firms and other businesses. Some 30,000 children and youth, many from high-need neighborhoods in the city, benefit from the program.

Because Learning for Life is open to all youth, it is consistent with United Way values.

"Our desire is and has been to continue



A DEVIL OF A (GOOD) TIME

Randy Bouché (aka CC Rae) returns for an all new - and very male - entertainment revue.

Well-known entertainer, CC Rae, returns to the stage this summer, touring the upper Midwest with the Tri-Mer Comedy-Variety Show.

Bouché joins Joel Duffrin, also known as Joei Lynn, and Mitch Michaels to round out the three-man traveling show specializing in a combination of hi-energy dance, celebrity look-a-likes, vocal impressions, stand-up comedy, physical humor and more.

Bouché made a name for himself as CC Rae as he toured the United States for several years as the CC Rae Comedy Show. After performing for more than ten years to critical acclaim as a female impressionist, Bouché has now turned his talents to the masculine side and developed a dynamic new show.

Joining Bouché is Joel Duffrin. Duffrin has performed for more than eight years in theater productions and cabaret show as he has criss-crossed the country. As Josie Lynn, Duffrin holds the title of Miss Gay Wisconsin USofA 1997 and was a top 12 finalist at the 1998 Miss Gay USofA National Pageant.

Duffrin performs comedy, dance and has impersonated Liza Minelli, Reba McIntyre and Marilyn Monroe. Duffrin will be returning to his true masculine side as a member of the new comedy-variety show.

Mitch Michaels rounds out the TRI-MEN trio bringing his own style and talent to complement those of Bouché and Duffrin. The current reigning Mr. Gay Wisconsin All-American 2001, Michaels was a top 12 finalist at the Mr. Gay All-American National contest. In addition, Michaels has performed in many musical theater and opera productions. Michaels is an arful impressionist impersonating Micael Jackson, Pee Wee Herman as well as vocal impressions of Kermit the Frog and Marvin the Martian.

The combination of these three experienced and dynamic talents has produced an unforgettable show featuring fast-paced, non-stop entertainment.

Tri-men will be appearing Eau Claire and Green Bay in June (see sidebar) or look for the Tri-Men Comedy-Variety Show appearing at a location near you this Summer or Fall!

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In the past month La Crosse has gone from wet to hot! I'm *not* just talking about the weather, either. More and more people are making it outside to work on their yards or other summer projects. The other day I was out in one of our local greenhouses and my "gaydar" was just going nuts! I thought to myself "if I inhale any more of cologne, I'll be affixiated." I saw many familiar faces out and about getting ready for the gardening season. People were hauling flowers, bushes and other plants out by the truckload (we must make our gardens perfect you know)! That afternoon I waved to so many queers and dykes, I thought I was in a "gay pride" parade!

Anyway let's get this party started! Mother and Springer had a "hoot n' a holler" birthday party on April 29, at Rainbow's End. The joint was jumping from 1 PM 'til way after dark. Also, during the party, Mother held his annual silent auction. This year the event raised over \$600 and all proceeds went to Red Ribbon Family Fund for Aids Charities (RRFF). If you made it out, thank you for coming - I know everyone had a great time. On the same day My Place held their 2nd Anniversary Party. Congratulations Todd And Gary!

On May 19th Players hosted "Faces of La Crosse"! The girls packed them in and the crowd went wild. These drag queens dress better than most "natural women" I know. The ensembles created by Michael M. were breathtaking. Everyone looked great. Each number was "polished perfect" (these girls practice and practice!) This great show was also a benefit for the RRFF and, at the end of the night, the girls had raised over \$560. Thank you to the performers, Players and all who attended! Va-voom what a show!

Memorial Day weekend was a blast! Another intense weekend of partying here in La Crosse...thanks to all the bars! The hot tub party and cook out at My Place on Sunday, May 27, was great. Gary and Todd would

like me to communicate their thanks to all who stopped by to say "Hi" and jump in the tub.

June will keep everyone running! On June 10, Rainbow's End will host the Celebrity Auction 2001. Once again, Dale Bye has collected an impressive array of over 80 items up for bid (See ad in this issue). Like Peg Heinz, owner of Rainbow's End, Dale has been a strong supporter of the RRFF. This event will not only benefit RRFF. Fifty percent of the proceeds will be donated to La Crosse Area Breast Cancer Society. Peg and Dale hope that you will attend. The doors open at 2 pm, auction begins at 4 pm. Sam Strong from Z-93 Radio and Mike "Mother" Hanson will be our auctioneers. It will be a super great time.

Come one, come all! Get ready Madison, La Crosse is coming at you! On Friday, June 15, Ray's Bar will proudly present "La Crosse Cabaret Revue". La Crosse finest female impersonators and performers will grace one the stage of one of Madison's top clubs.

All of the bars wish to extend a very special welcome to "The Great Lakes Harley Riders" as they pass through on June 23 & 24. Players and Rainbow's End plan on making your stay "a fun filled, party down time"! (See map and ad from welcoming bars.)

In July, look for G-STREET's 1st Anniversary issue. It will be full of surprises! (Some are from this party girl too!)

Now a word from this broad about the La Crosse's gay bar scene". Many people who read this column may not be familiar with our wonderful community and businesses. I can honestly say, La Crosse has something for everybody. I'll do a quickie "bar bio" for the La Crosse community (in no particular order).

The first bar featured is Players. Players has been around for 12 years. Karl Nelson originally opened it up as a theater bar but in

life's a party continued on page 29

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gorgeous in green bay

Kelli Jo Klein

Well hurray hurray the month of May is done.

And here's the gossip.

Rumor has it that a certain little female in Green Bay will soon be plucking at her guitar again soon. S.B.

Well I hope everyone had a great May 1st with the outdoor screwing and no one got busted.

The first week of May was not good for the bartenders at Brandys II. First Dee Dee Winters get punched in the face for trying to not let someone enter the bar with an open content. Two days later then the bar manager Jay gets punched in the eye and has to go to the hospital and gets stitches and comes back to the bar looking like a pirate with that patch on his eye.

Thursday May 3rd was a trip to Milwaukee for the Miss Cosmopolitan Pageant. And as I promised I wouldn't put anything about certain co column writer. Per a phone call from the source it seemed that Nova D'Vine decided to go for a walk with some people in a fenced in area and the police had to take them all for a little ride downtown. All is well nothing happened and they got a slap on the wrist. Girl that's not a good way for a Miss Wisconsin America to be. Well consider who the last owner was! I guess you just followed in the footsteps.

May 5th at Oz was the site for Mr. Gay Northern Cities. Two contestants battled it out and the winner was J.D. F'earz. In case anyone doesn't know that name, it's another AKA for Justine D'Zire. It seems he/she is trying another system and it's the Mr. Pageants. Well I wish you the best of luck, not to many people can pull off male and female pageants. Just remember what pageant your at and not to wear an Evening Gown for Clubwear!

That night was full of surprises. Jeff Connor of Di Man Limos surprised his other half Miss Gay Wisconsin U.S. of A. C.C. Domino. With a Diamond ring for their 5 year Anniversary. Also that night Badger

Productions and a certain Fox II member were comparing um notes ya that's it. Right whatever!!

Well May 11th and 12th was the dates for Miss Wisconsin Entertainer Of The Year 2001. In Madison, WI I was more then happy to give up the title after the reign I had. There were 7 contestants battling it out for the Crown!! Julia Blake. 3rd runner-up & Talent winner. Felicia Melton-Smith 2nd runner-up & Creative Presentation winner. Shannon Dupree 1st Alt(by one point). The new WI. E.O.Y. is Nova D'Vine, winner of Creative Evening Wear and On Stage Question. I have never seen a Pageant so close in points. Congratulations to you all and good luck at Nationals in Aug. Nova and Shannon!

Green Bays very own C.C. Domino and Justine D'Zire had a trashful time at the Pageant. Poor C.C. Domino was so trashed I guess she fell in the trash can at the Rainbow Room and Justine D'Zire was doing a little number in the hot tub, but they didn't know if it was Justine or J.D. F'earz. Well next is the trip to Dallas Texas for the Miss Gay U.S.of A. 2001 Pageant. There were many girls competing there along with our very own Miss Gay Wisconsin U.S.of A. C.C. Domino, Miss Gay Minnesota Neely O'Hara(from WI) It was an all out battle for the crown. Our own C.C. Domino got 24th on her first time.

A good time was had by all and a special Thank You to the Minnesota Pigfukers for a fabulous time.

4th runner up- Nina D'Angelo-from Minnesota

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Twin Ports Pride Kick-Off!

It's time to acknowledge spring's arrival and to begin celebrating Pride!! As I write this we are looking forward to the June Moon Ball at the Main Club on Saturday, June 2nd, 2001. This is the first official day to purchase Duluth - Superior GLBTA Pride merchandise: T-shirts, buttons, and tickets for both the Saturday night Magical Mystery Cruise, and the ever popular Sunday afternoon Fruit Float!!

We will also be hosting the Third Annual Cheesecake Contest. This year we have added to the cheesecake bliss and will also be accepting entries for Best Bar recipe (the eating kind, not the drinking kind....). We know that there are some dynamite dessert bars made in our community and it would be super if you would share them with us and help kick-off Pride.

There will be judges, prizes, and lots of fun!! So, to all of the bakers, both novice and professional, dust-off your cheesecake and bar recipes and come to the June Moon Ball. Dessert entries are due at the Main Club by 8pm, judging will be at 9pm, and winners will be announced at 10pm. Please join us, celebrate Pride and enjoy!!

Ray Maier also adds that D-S Pride will be attending Pride Festivals & Events throughout WI and MN. Twin Cities Pride Guides will also be available. June 9th, Saturday is the next Duluth-Superior PRIDE meeting - Everyone welcome to attend - 1pm - Jitters Coffeehouse, 102 West Superior St., Duluth.

U of MN-Duluth Campus GLBT&A has great year!

by Angie Nichols

UMD's GLBT Community thrived this year with incessant social, cultural and educational events from National Coming Out Week, to attendance at the National Gay and

Lesbian Task Force Conference in Atlanta, GA last year, to culminating events honoring 5 graduating queer Central High School students on campus at UMD's student recognition banquet. The high school students were all part of the founding of Duluth's first-ever Gay Straight Alliance. The year ended with a big SHABANG! as the Queer Students Union hosted their first UMD Drag Show jamming the Ballroom with over 300 campus and community members in attendance! This summer the QSU is hosting a "youth drive" on KUMD's "This Way Out In the Northland" to raise funds to bring more youth to the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force's annual "Creating Change" conference to be held in Milwaukee, WI in mid-November. For information on this and other events, contact Angela Nichols, Director of Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Services at UMD at (218) 726-7300 or email: anichols@d.umn.edu

"Opening Our Doors" Conference

by Kat Summerchild

(Kat Summerchild, temporarily back from helping family in Arizona, was in attendance at the "Opening Our Doors" conference May 4th & 5th and offers us a fine report on this very important religious conference for our area)

Over 200 folks attended the recent "Opening Our Doors" conference in Duluth. The conference was advertised as "creating inclusive communities of faith for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered individuals." The faith communities involved in the planning included the United Methodist, Catholic, Lutheran, Jewish, United Church of Christ and the Unitarian Universalist. My interest piqued, I attended both the Friday night conference and service and all day Saturday. I

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online action

Every day more and more people sign-on to the Internet. The growth of the medium has been phenomenal since Netscape first made surfing an eye-popping please. Paralleling the increase in the number of surfers has been an explosion in the number of web sites to visit.

A lot of these sites aren't worth visiting and it is all too common for people, after hitting an enormous number of plain, ugly sites to start surfin' in a predictable pattern - go here, go there, go here and sign-off. What a waste.

There are cool sites out there! In this column, we'll help you to find some of them. Check in regularly - you just may be surprised that, with a little nudge, you'll be off surfin' the great unknown instead of playing it safe.

This month's recommended site is www.straightacting.com. I just couldn't resist



the name. This site's one outstanding feature is an off-the-wall quiz that purports to be able to see just how 'straight acting' you are. They even encourage you to post your rating on your AOL profile.

Believe it or not, I found my own rating to be fairly accurate (a 4). Now it's your turn.

G-STREET.com Gets a Facelift!

The official site for G-STREET MAGAZINE, <http://www.g-street.com/>, underwent a major change in May to make it more useful and user friendly for the Wisconsin and Minnesota community.

While the print publication is monthly, the new G-STREET.com will offer breaking news headlines and information updated daily, a complete, 24-hour FREE personals posting system, a growing guide to businesses and resources and interactive chat via GAY.com. Even more features are being developed so check back frequently.



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Father Patrick Kelley

Love...agape, philia, eros... (agape, philia, eros) the word itself is a complex and much misunderstood emotion. It involves so many other attributes/emotions its like a whirlwind of feelings. There is jealousy, pride, angry, resentment, desire and so on when dealing with Love. We are so rarely sure or precise about our feelings. The scriptures of the Christian Faith give us a good example of love in I Corinthians chapter 13:1-13

But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way. Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, but have not love, I have become a sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.

LOVE suffers long and is kind; LOVE does not envy, LOVE does not parade itself, it is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own way, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; LOVE bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things LOVE never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. For we know in part and prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect comes, then that which is in part will be done away. When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known. And now abide faith, hope, LOVE, these three; but the greatest of these is LOVE

We see a very clear and concise expression by Saint Paul of what Love truly is and I know

that most of us fail when we try to follow this direction given by him for the community. Saint Basil the Great and other fathers of the church give numerous reasons and explanations for our lives as humans who believe and cling to our faith in God... 1) Obedience, 2) Fear, and most importantly 3) Love

For those of us who are same-gender attracted it has in most cases revolved around eros (sexual love, passion). Why do we as LGBT people concentrate so much on the sexual side of our nature? This is perplexing and complicated to write about since there is so much involved in relationships overall whether they be same-gendered or other-gendered...

What is the first step towards "Love" well I believe that it is infatuation. We see a beautiful man or woman and as is human nature we are drawn to them. Think about how we as same-gender loving people react to the new man or woman in any given situation. For gay men this usually involves the notion of "How do I get this guy's attention?" We will go out of our way in trying to get them into bed because of obsession.

Lesbian womyn are much different in this respect I believe unless I am told otherwise. Most same gender couples from my youth were Lesbians. And although I never had knowledge of their sexual habits, likes or dislikes I believe in many respects they are far more mature than gay men when it comes to same-gender relationships. They have a better understanding of companionship (bonding). This of course does not mean that they aren't infatuated with other womyn or they wouldn't be Lesbians. But, their "sisterhood" far exceeds the "brotherhood" of gay men.

So here we see that infatuation is the first step towards Love relationships and it is a necessary element in any relationship. There has to be an attraction to start things off on the right foot. The problem that we have as same-gender lovers is this: We sometimes never move beyond the infatuation/obsession



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stage of our love lives. We sit and pine away at the bar or at work or at home thinking about the person whom we are infatuated with at any given time. Only wanting but the briefest bit of their attention, and affections. We become depressed and upset when we are ignored and not given the attention we think we deserve from this person. And do I know this in my life... Been there done that!

I guess the important thing to do is to look beyond the infatuation and see if our relationships are going to move beyond infatuation. How many of us have given our all for this one person and been totally disappointed when we find out that they are as human as us? My most ever-memorable relationship of infatuation involves a very dear friend whom I was madly in love/infatuated with but who was incapable of intimate relationships because of his own dysfunction about being a gay man. So we see that oftentimes we are led down a path that always ends in heartache and pain because we don't clearly understand Love and all its components. True Love has all the

attributes that Saint Paul spoke about in his letter to the Corinthians almost 2,000 years ago. Our problem as queers is this: We don't want anyone telling us about Love because we think and believe that we know all things concerning Love between two men or two womyn. When in actuality we know a lot about sexuality between two men and two womyn. So if you're looking for love through sex you will never find it no matter how many guys or girls you sleep with throughout your life. Sexuality or better passionate sexual love is an expression of the True Love that revolves around the first two Loves. Agape (unconditional) and Philia (parent/child, brother/brother, sister/sister, etc...) these types of love precede Eros (sexual love/passion).

Many of us confuse sex for Love, when we should be looking at sexuality as a physical expression of Love. In the Ancient Church sexuality was viewed as an important part of any relationship. It was seen as "typos"

just my opinion

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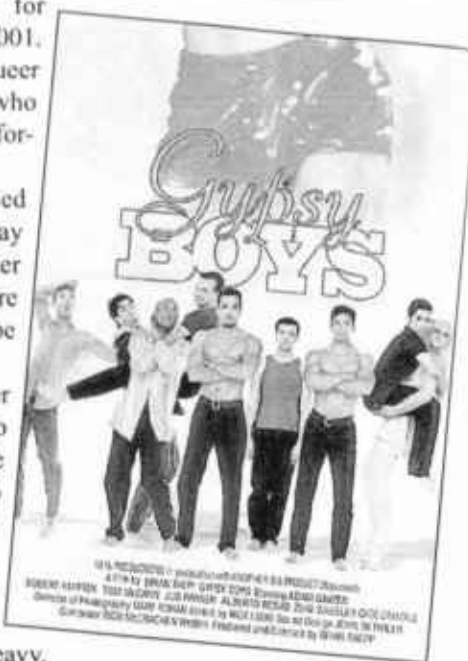
"Gypsy Boys", a film by Brian Shepp due for national release by 10% Productions June 19, 2001. Redistribution material compares it to both "Queer as Folk" and "Tales of the city" so, as someone who really enjoy queer-themed films, I was looking forward to viewing an advance copy.

The media kit that accompanied the video, extolled exuberant pride at the accolades from "over 31 Gay & Lesbian film festivals" across the country. After reading that, I must say that my expectations were high when I popped the video into my VCR - maybe too high.

The story line follows a group of gay boys over the course of a single weekend of San Francisco nightlife. Some are looking for 'Mr. Right' while others are looking for 'Mr. Right Now' but two troubled relationships within the group are the primary focus.

Unlike "Queer as Folk" (and much to this writer's disappointment), there are no gratuitous butt or full frontal nudity scenes. There is one hot & heavy, fully clothed, make-out scene between the tramp-want-to-be-model, Blair, and the British Cad, Noel. Manny, another character, witnesses the pseudo-sex scende and this sets the dramatic tension for the film as you find out that Manny is in love with the rough and tumble Aaron - who happens to be Noel's boyfriend!

Throughout the film there are the ever-popular pair of bitchy, catty, flamboyant fags running "witty commentary" on all the party boys and, all in all (and even if I was disappointed by the lack of masturbatory fodder), I enjoyed this flick and think that you will, too. It's got a "Boys in the Band" feel with real gay stories. Plus, it's written, directed, acted and promoted by real gay men so, on that basis, alone, it is definitely worth seeing...just my opinion.



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BARTENDER TIPS & TRICKS



Bar Keeps at the Rainbow Room, Madison

Here's a tip from the Rainbow Room in Madison. To add a little color - and kick - to your Smirnoff Ice, take a swig and have your bartender pour in a shot of your favorite colored schnapps. Favorites include Blue Curacao and Raspberry... yum, yum, boys!



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Life's a Party

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the past few years it has become one of the hottest dance/show bars in the region. Harold Geary has been bar manager for several years and recently became part owner. The gang at Players, Shannon, Jeff, Brad, Scooter, Jim and DJ Cory, give gays and lesbians something to party about. Harold's motto is "this bar is everyone's bar to have fun at and we intend to keep it that way".

The next on my hit list is Rainbow's End. Peg Heinz has had her doors open for almost 14 years. In fact July 1, 2001, will be her 14th Anniversary. You'll always feel welcome at "Peg's Bar". In Peg's words, "I like people to feel comfortable here. It's a good place to meet and have a good time". At Rainbow's End the bartenders Mike I. "Mother" (who is behind the bar every Sun and Monday.) Peg wish to invite you down for a great time! New

arrivals behind the bar are Dana and Char (every Thursday). Rainbow's End features Karaoke every night and of course a relaxed, fun atmosphere.

Harold, Karl and Peg are very involved with charitable events that involve RRFF, "Pride Along the Mississippi" and the Coulee Region Humane Society - just to name a few. Both bars are "gay community" oriented and are always sponsoring many charitable events.

My Place, "the new kid on the block", has had its doors open for 2 years. Owner Todd Pyka and Manager Gary Ersepke like to think of their bar as La Crosse's "gay corner tavern." Todd remarked. They feature darts and karaoke. They also support RRFF and CRHS events.

Each bar is special in it's own way but all of the gay bars reflect what life is like in the surrounding community. And, in La Crosse, life's party!

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to support important community programs that are non-discriminatory," said Hugh Parry, Interim President of United Way. "United Way in Chicago feels very strongly about supporting diversity and inclusion, and helping fund the Learning for Life program allows us to continue to support those values."

The school-based curriculum is age-appropriate and grade-specific and is designed to integrate into the core curriculum for grades K-12. The curriculum is comprised of three educational initiatives that complement public school instruction: character education (e.g. ethical decision-making, coping skills), education to careers and service learning.

Parry said the agreement "will allow United Way to continue to fund important

programs that teach at-risk children and youth life skills and help them achieve their full potential."

Jim Stone, Scout Executive of the Chicago Area Council of Boy Scouts, said the discussions between the Scout council and United Way aimed to keep the long-standing partnership together. "This agreement allows us to keep working together," said Stone. "United Way is an important organization for the community, and our hope is that the entire community will continue to support United Way as well as the Boy Scouts."

The Learning for Life program is supported by money from United Way's Community Fund. Last year, United Way in Chicago provided \$424,866 in funding to the Chicago Area Council and a similar amount will be allocated this year for the Learning for Life program.



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Lucy, Shannelle & Miss Star



Help me with these, dear?



Linn@Players



Misty@Players



Veronica@Players



Dear
Lucy,

Michael Thomas Ford is by far my favorite queer author. We have the same wicked, dry sense of humor and views on the queer vs. the straight world so I'm sure he wouldn't mind that I've totally plagiarized him in naming this month's column. As with Mr. Ford, I too have been berated for my use of the word queer when speaking about myself and other gay people. I like the word because, by definition, it means "differing in some odd way from the ordinary".

In these days of insipid political correctness., those of the homosexual persuasion are now referred as belonging to the GLBT

community. But why stop there, my little petunias? To be truly inclusive, we must add IQA, for intersexes, questioning and allies and, to insure that absolutely no one is left out, we must add a just a few more PC letters to this alphabet soup of labeling such as CC for closet case, DWDD for dildo wielding diesel dyke, FPF for fudge packing faggot and of course DQB for drag queen bitch.

Finally we can stand up and proudly proclaim ourselves card carrying members of the 'GLBTIQACCDWDDFFPDQA' community. Just one little thing: Miss Lucy would like to know what the hell was wrong with QUEER?

After all, if PC labeling is so very important then why don't the heterosexuals label themselves? For instance, they might like to be known as the 'PWBRNFBOPBWARWR community' standing for; prejudiced, wife beating, red neck, fag bashing, over populat-ing breeders, welfare abusing, right wing Republicans. Why indeed?!

Well my little petunias, Miss Lucy will tell you why. Because they don't need to anymore than we do. Under the guise of being all-inclusive, the activist members of our own community have jumped the PC fence and tried to put a different face on the age-old label of queer simply to make "us" more acceptable to "them". Really now, can't we just go back to QUEER? I mean, really, what would people think if we went around chanting "We're here, we're GLBTIQACCDWDDFFPDQA, get used to it!"

So I have a message for our PC friends reading this; I'm here, I'm queer, get used to it because this drag queen (don't even go there with the 'female impersonator' thing) has done nothing that requires an apology. It's not mean if its true.

Now for a letter from a loyal fan.

Dear Lucy;

I am in single-girl glory after breaking off a long term relationship with a woman who criticized everything I did, from the way I chewed to how much toilet paper I used. I used. I've had numerous sexual partners since

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the relationship ended, even some romance in the way with men. All my co-workers "want what I'm having" and nicknamed me "Babe Magnet". Even my therapist thinks I'm the luckiest girl in town. So you're probably wondering why I'm seeking your advice. You see, I can't seem to maintain a sexual relationship for longer than 24 hours and the only one that had endured resulted in my being stalked by a woman that thinks drooling would be an endearing quality...if I drooled, that is. Should I just accept and embrace this new-phase of my life or am I sabotaging every relationship due to my fear of criticism.

Signed, Just don't get it

Dear Get It,

What you are experiencing, honey, is that euphoric stage of sexual attractiveness that comes with the freedom of no longer being oppressed by that self loathing, self-righteous, domineering bitch you were chained to for far too long. You're making up for all that lost time! So Miss Lucy says, "go for it, enjoy yourself, bang your brains out!" Embrace

your new found sexual identity. Ignore those fears of criticism because you know what a fagtabulous woman you are and when the timing is right so, too, will be the right relationship. You go girl!

Love Lucy

Since last month's piece on the penis was so well received I thought I'd try my hand at writing about the vagina next, so look for my column in the July issue of G-Street entitled "The Wound That Just Won't Heal". In the meantime, keep those flowers, cards and letters coming and be sure to catch me along with 'The Heartless Bitches' at Ray's Bar in Madison on Friday, June 15th.

If you have a question for Lucy, please send it to: lucy@g-street.com or fax it to 952-297-0140

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was impressed. Not only with the quality of the speakers and workshops, but with the atmosphere of the entire conference.

I had the opportunity to lead a discussion group on Friday night. In my group, was a young gay man in much spiritual pain, a married (straight) couple and their son and his boyfriend and two other lesbians (besides myself). The married couple was hoping to meet other parents of Christian faith. The young couple just wanted to "be here", and the young man wanted to feel "loved by God and not so alone" The other two were active in a welcoming church and were sharing their support for the inclusiveness of all people in the churches. I was there to see what those church folks are up to now! What I found was a weekend filled with folks who truly wish to change the way the churches have dealt with the GLBT community. We heard some apologies and we heard a lot of folks filled with a strong desire to make a welcoming home for all.

The keynote speakers for the conference were Dr. David Frederickson, author of "Human Sexuality and the Christian Faith" and a widely known scholar and speaker, speaking on how the Bible has been used to create discord and how those in the GLBT community can find hope and meaning in the words of the Bible. Dr. Christine Smith, a professor of preaching at the United Theological Seminary in the Twin Cities spoke of her experiences as a Lesbian clergyperson and how we are changing the face of the churches. Both were dynamic speakers and held the interest of all.

The workshops included "Living Scripture", which was a continuation of bible discussion from the Saturday morning service with Dr. Frederickson, "Moving Into Your Wisdom", with Rev. Cathy Ann Beaty, dealing with body movement and interpretive dance to express your spiritual side, "What It Is" for

GLBT teens and their supporters, "What's the Big Deal", which dealt with the questions of why GLBT folks must be included and welcomed by the religious community. The "Telling our Stories" workshop offered an opportunity for folks to share their stories of exclusion and shame. PFLAG offered a workshop of general topics relating to the queer community. I will be interested to see where the religious community goes from here. The conference was a great start. May it not end there.

ARCW OPEN HOUSE IN SUPERIOR

AIDS Resource Center WI held a well attended open house in its Superior office on April 27th. Emceed by Julie Moravchik, popular local broadcaster and investigative reporter for WDIO TV Ch 10, numerous area notables were present and several speeches given to recognize the value of the ARCW office and its positive efforts in our area. Superior Mayor Sharon Kotter presented the office with a proclamation recognizing how community supporters and staff at ARCW have tirelessly continued to enhance the lives of individuals and family who have been affected by HIV & AIDS in Superior, WI. Tim Robinson was acknowledged as "the heart & soul" of the local office, and who can now enjoy the "doubling of the staff" ;-) in the office due to being able to hire another person, Luther, with his wonderful sense of humor, to provide needed assistance after three years of Tim's working alone.

The contributions of Judy Walker and the Douglas County Health Dept., Bob Jansen of the Main Club, Peter Golden and the Northland Gay Men's Center, Trisha Kortez and the St. Louis County Health Dept., Diane Erickson and WITC, Rose Barber-Minano of the Sawyer Cty. AIDS Network, Nell Loughren of the Recovery Center, Super One Foods, Wolf's Flower Shop, Exchange Bakery & Deli, Big Apple Bagel, JT's Bar & Grill, The United Way of Superior-Douglas

Cty, The Duluth-Superior Area Community Foundation, and many others were recognized. Your's truly and boyfriend, Paul, were impressed with the wonderful turnout, Mayor Kotter's and other speaker's remarks, and of course the fine job we all recognize the ARCW people have done here.

Recipient of one of ARCW's "Volunteer of the Year" awards, Stephen Coffey, spoke about his personal experience with HIV. Stephen has done a wonderful job volunteering to speak before many groups about HIV & AIDS issues. Among others speaking was Doug Nelson, ARCW Executive Director and longtime volunteer, advocate, and staff member who remarked that "nothing comes more from my heart than to say thank you to our donor community."

The official ARCW press release from Joshua Feyen, ARCW Communications Coordinator further noted: "...that two things stood out during the event. "This was an excellent opportunity for people living with HIV, community members, elected officials and ARCW staff to meet each other," said Karen Dotson, ARCW deputy director of programs. "It also gave the community a good idea of how ARCW's statewide system provides exceptional HIV services and prevention to the areas that our offices serve." A dinner and auction was also held Saturday, April 28, in Eau Claire "bolstering community support for HIV prevention and AIDS services in Northern and Western Wisconsin." 150 people attended the ARCW's Evening of Hope dinner and auction in Eau Claire, raising \$18,270. Volunteers from ARCW's western and northern offices were also recognized. "Volunteers are our life blood," said Richard Marano, ARCW director of volunteer services. Recognized for their exceptional efforts in the fight against HIV and AIDS were ARCW board member, Dennis Kurtz of Eau Claire, Colleen and Mallyissah Gran of La Crosse, and Stephen Coffey of Superior. In addition, the Gregg Goetz Angel Award

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was given to Rudy and Judy Schleusner for their tireless efforts in Eau Claire. During his remarks, Doug Nelson, ARCW executive director reminded people why dinners like Evening of Hope existed. "Your presence here tonight and your financial investment in ARCW will make a difference here in Eau Claire and in western Wisconsin," said Nelson. "We are here because for the first time in five years, the AIDS death rate increased by 11 percent. For the first time in eight years diagnosed AIDS cases increased by 10 percent. These are troubling new trends because they mean that the durability of drug treatments is less than what we had all hoped for," Nelson added. "We are especially disappointed that Governor McCallum did not include our request for an increased investment in AIDS prevention in his state budget. That's why ARCW is aggressively lobbying the state legislature to support a \$1.7 million AIDS initiative to expand AIDS prevention programs and staff in Western Wisconsin," said Nelson. For more information about ARCW, its events or services, log on to arcw.org or call 800-359-9272, notes the official press release.

The ARCW provides aggressive HIV education & prevention, services for people living with HIV & AIDS, clinical research on treatments & vaccines, and advocacy programs in collaboration with other area groups and government services. The Superior, WI, local office ARCW number is (715) 394-4009, at 1507 Tower Ave, Suite 230, 54880. The Statewide toll free ARCW number is listed as 1-800-750-2437.

17th Annual "Triangle Of Hope" AIDS / HIV Benefit at Main Club

There was a good turnout for the 17th Annual "Triangle of Hope" AIDS / HIV Benefit held at The Main Club Sunday, May 27th. In the afternoon a fun "Sink the 8-Ball for AIDS Pool Tournament" with many players and prizes was held, and which contributed to monies raised and awareness for this

important cause. In the evening, a "till closing" show was held which included performers... Ti-Nea, Rachael Hunter, Victoria, Mary Brewster, Big Helen, Leroy, Felicity Blue, Barbara, Amanda Ridemore, the Wanna Be's, Alonzo, Kenya, and Francesca. Many wonderful volunteers assisted in putting on the terrific show, and longtime popular DJ, Ed Rutledge, working the booth for the benefit noted that "...monies raised, in excess of \$1000 will go towards those living with HIV in the Twin Ports area. A warm round of applause goes to all those who performed! Ti-Nea was just up from the Twin Cities the previous weekend, May 19th, performing at the Main, as part of the excellent live night club act "DiscFunktion" which also featured Mia Dorr, Stewart, and Leslie. It was a great show that you'll want to catch if you can - the singing and performances were very classy, but not stuffy, and for a bit of fun at the end of the show Ti-Nea even did her trademark "head over heels" somersaults!

Northland Gay Men's Center

The NGMC May12th Cook Off "...went great but we didn't get many cooks. Our potluck to finish that day was fantastic! Good eatin'!" said one fellow.

Here's what the NGMC is up to for June, (for more info call them at 218-722-8585)... Brule River Camping and Canoe Trip, June 1, 2, 3 - Join us for 3 days of camping and canoe trip down the Brule River. Pre-registration required. All participants are responsible for their own food and camping needs. Kite Flying and Water Sports on Lake Superior, June 9 - Meet on Wisconsin Point overlooking beautiful Lake Superior for an afternoon of water sports and kite flying. The fun begins at 2 P.M. Judy Garland Festival, June 16 - Pack your picnic basket, bring your blue gingham dress, bouquet of poppies and leash up your pet terrier. Meet us in Grand Rapids where a huge rainbow flag will shelter us as we celebrate the festival as friends of Judy...Toto too! Twin Cities Pride, June 23-24 - Visit us at our booth on the festival grounds and join us

as we march in the Pride parade at the Twin Cities' favorite summertime event.

Current daily schedule is.... Monday: Young Men's Group 6-8pm; Tuesday: Hours 10am to 6pm, Discussion group 7-8:30pm; Wednesday: G&B Night, drop-in hours 5-8pm; Friday drop-in hours 5-8pm; Saturday hours 12-6pm, Movie nights 2nd & 4th Sat. of month, NGMC is on the web at <http://cpinternet.com/~ngmc/> or E-Mail: ngmc@cpinternet.com Address: Northland Gay Men's Center, Temple Opera Block, 8 North 2nd Avenue East, Suite 309, Duluth, MN 55802.

Going "Tow to Tow" with Discrimination - Following-up on towing at JT's

The City Of Superior, through actions by the City Council & Mayor's Office, has asked the WI Attorney General to investigate city-wide illegal towing problem and discrimination and special issues surrounding JT's Bar & Grill. Although Superior city government seemed unable to get to the bottom of this problem, this latest move does show promise for some relief.

The shady "cash only" nature of many of the towing episodes, which usually lacked the required police citations, paperwork and receipts, severely impaired an effective investigation. In local circles the subject has taken on the name "Towing Gate" to the consternation and even dark amusement of many people.

The expected result is that, in the future, procedures for towing will be followed, that the paper (and money) trail will be made "traceable" and, especially, that no targeting of GLBT businesses and their patrons will be tolerated in Superior may require some "tightening" and "clarification" of ordinances involving towing by the City by putting more "teeth" into them.

There are also rumors that certain parties may have been attempting to negatively

impact JT's business in order to obtain its property for other uses. After their extraction of JT's healthy business, they would purportedly fill the cavity with an unsightly truck stop that would certainly be a move backwards for North Superior. Given the high level of illegal towing activity reported one also has to wonder if there isn't a need for safer public parking citywide in Superior, and especially at Superior's North end, in order to promote more business activity.

Alvin Berg, JT's manager noted "We are happy that the Mayor and City Council agreed to ask the WI Attorney General's Office to further investigate the illegal towing in Superior, and the harassment and discrimination against JT's Bar & Grill. If the Chief of Police & District Attorney would've done their job in the first place, we wouldn't be going through any of this scandal. After reading the lengthy investigation reports, I am appalled by the lack of professionalism, missing reports, and not "following up" on getting statements from witnesses (mostly gay) that are crucial to the investigation. These officials should be ashamed of the handling, or lack thereof, or of the obvious cover-up. It seems that calls to these officials from gay businesses and citizens falls on deaf ears. Well, I'm here to tell them that we are not going away, and we will continue to fight for justice. We hope that we can count on the support of everyone, even those outside our immediate community, in seeing this matter fairly resolved."

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Faith

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(prefiguration) of Holy Communion with God Himself at the end of the ages. The True Love between two humans was best expressed in intimate sharing... Giving the other /our beloved our whole self. In the West marriage has become a contract between two people. Two people marrying each other, whereas in the East it wasn't two people marrying each other, but the church bringing them, blessing them, and sanctifying them & their communion as two people expressing their undying Love for each other and God. So we see that True Love goes beyond sex and infatuation. So we have this clear expression of Love, now we need to look at how we react to infatuation/passion/Love.

So we get this person's attention and set-up a date. We're all nervous when we have our first date with anyone. We're nervous when we approach someone, we're nervous creatures period when it comes to new and different situations. So we find that we have something in common so we begin to date and see each other on a regular basis. And as is the long standing tradition with gay men we have sex usually after a short period of dating. For some its after the first date, for others it happens after the second or third, etc... And for some gay men they don't even bother with dating they just take the guy out to their car and go at it.

So now we think we're in Love and we want to set-up housekeeping together. When

in all actuality we don't even know this other person other than in a sexual way. We don't know what their tastes are in decorating, whether they like pets or children, do they snore and wake the dead, do they have neurotic behavior that will drive us insane. Are they homebodies or are they party boys. Are they willing to compromise and share? Will they stand through all things with us? As bad as it sounds we they love us for richer or poorer, in sickness and in health, will they be willing to forsake all others for us? These are questions that every human has to go through when starting a relationship. I remember my mother giving me these sound words of advice: "Its ok to love like newlyweds every night, but remember in the morning you still have to get-up for work, do the dishes, clean the house, raise your children, etc... So make sure that you know what you're doing." And my mother used this saga advice for me when I married my wife and when I met my boyfriend. It is advice that surpasses all gender and speaks to us about relationships. The best advice I can give to you is this: Make sure that you are not blindsided by infatuation/obsession. Try to get to know the person that you're in love with before you take the big step of moving in together. Most gay relationship between men last but a short time because of this character defect, get to know each other first and then proceed from there. Seek advice from your elders, ask them about their relationships, look for those who've been in long-term relationships. What makes their relationship last?

All the elements for a bad relationship are set in motion when we jump into things unaware and unprepared. If you need advice on how best to start a relationship look at starting out as friends, avoid sexual expressions of affection, date longer than usual if you are inclined to jump into bed with anyone and everyone. Just be prepared to take your time when you see that beautiful boy/man or girl/woman.

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Dubuque, IA			
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Duluth, MN			
Duluth Family Sauna	18 N 1st Ave E	218.726.1388	Sauna/Bath House
Jitters	102 W Superior St	218.720.6015	Coffee House
Eau Claire, WI			
CJ's Great Escape •	304 Eau Claire St.	715.838.9494	Video Dance Club
Scooter's •	411 Galloway St	715.835.9959	Dance Club
Wolfe's Den •	302 E Madison St	715.832.9237	Bar
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Green Bay, WI			
Boogie Nights •	1124 Main St	920.437.3917	Dance Club
Brandy's II •	1126 Main St	920.437.3917	Bar
Napalese Lounge •	1351 Cedar St	920.432.9646	Show Lounge
Buddies	1264 Main St	920.437.9256	Bar
Sass	840 S Broadway	920.437.7277	Bar
West Theater	405 W Walnut St	920.435.5476	Bar
Kenosha, WI			
Capers Dance Bar	6305 120th Ave	262.857.3813	Dance Club
Club 94	9001 120th Ave	262.857.9958	Dance Club
La Crosse, WI			
Player's •	214 Main St	608.784.2353	Dance Club
Under the Rainbow •	122 5th Ave S	608.796.0383	Bookstore
Cavalier Lounge	114 5th Ave N	608.782.9061	Lounge
My Place	3201 South Ave	608.788.9073	Bar
Rainbow's End	417 Jay St	608.782.5105	Bar
Madison, WI			
Club 5 •	5 Applegate Ct	608.277.9700	Variety Complex
Men's Room •	3054 E Washington St	608.241.9335	Leather Bar
Rainbow Room •	121 W Main St	608.251.5838	Show Lounge
Ray's Bar •	3052 E Washington St	608.241.9335	Variety Complex
Shamrock	117 W Main St	608.255.5029	Bar
Milwaukee, WI			
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1100 Club	1100 S 1st St	414.647.9950	Leather Bar

Milwaukee, WI

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Boot Camp Saloon	209 E National Ave	414.643.6900	Leather Bar
C'est La Vie	231 S 2nd St	414.291.9600	Bar
Club 219	219 S 2nd St	414.271.3732	Show Lounge
Club Boom	625 S 2d St	414.277.5040	Video Dance Club
DISH	235 S 2d St	414.273.DISH	Dance Club
Emerald's Lounge	809 E Hadley St	414.725.7325	Lounge
Fluid	819 S 2nd St	414.645.8330	Bar
Kathy's Nut Hut	1500 W Scott St	414.647.2673	Bar
La Cage	801 S 2nd St	414.383.8330	Video Dance Club
M&M Club	124 N Water St	414.347.1962	Lounge
Midtowne Spa	315 S Water St	414.278.8989	Health & Recreation
Orbit	739 S 2nd St	414.708.9648	Bar
South Water Street Dock	354 E National Ave	414.225.9676	Bar
Station 2	1534 W Grant	414.383.5755	Bar
Switch	124 W National Ave	414.220.4340	Lounge
This Is It	418 E Wells St	414.278.9192	Lounge
Triangle Bar	135 E National Ave	414.643.9758	Bar
Woody's	1579 S 2nd St	414.672.0806	Bar

Minneapolis, MN

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Minneapolis Eagle •	515 Washington Ave	612.338.4214	Leather Bar
19 Bar	19 W 15th St	612.871.5553	Bar
Amazon Bookstore	1612 Harmon Pl	612.338.6560	Bookstore
Birchwood Café	3311 E 25th St	612.722.4474	Restaurant
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Brass Rail	422 Hennepin Ave	612.333.3016	Lounge
Brother's Touch	2327 Hennepin Ave	612.377.6279	Bookstore
Ground Zero	15 NE 4th St	612.378.5115	Video Dance Club
Rainbow Road	109 W Grant St	612.872.8448	Bookstore
Saloon	830 Hennepin Ave	612.332.0835	Video Dance Club
Vera's Café	2901 Lyndale Ave S	612.822.3871	Café

Moorhead, MN

I-Beam	1021 Center Ave	218.233.7700	Video Dance Club
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Racine, WI

JoDee's International	2139 Racine St.	262.634.9804	Bar
What About Me?	600 6th St	262.632.0171	Bar

Rockford, IL

Oh'-Zone	1014 Charles St	815.964.9663	Dance Club
The Office	513 East State St	815.965.0344	Bar

Sheboygan, WI

Blue Lite	1029 N 8th St	920.457.1636	Lounge
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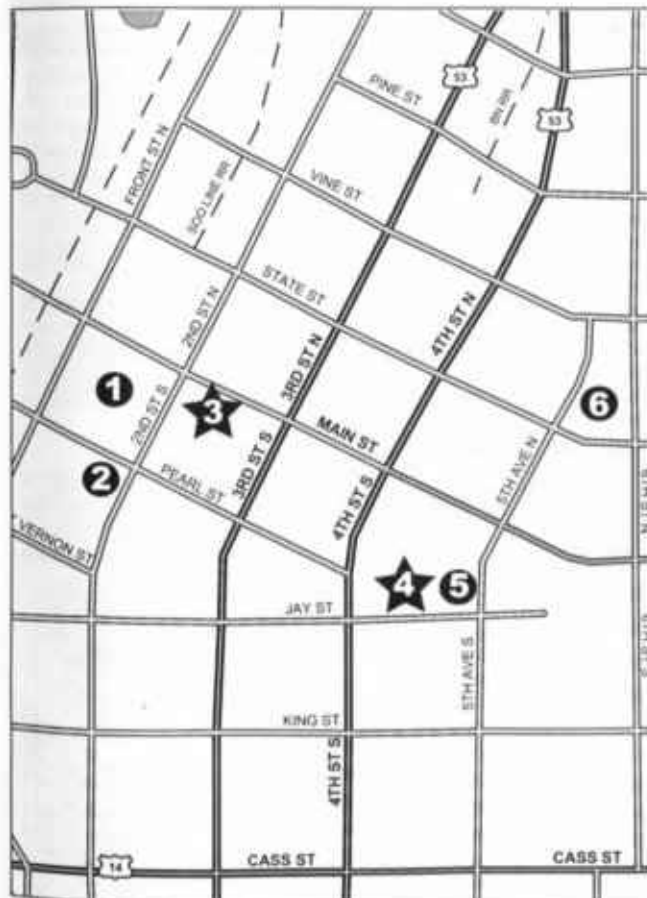
Club Metro	733 Pierce Butler Rte	651.489.0002	Variety Complex
Lucy's	601 N Western Ave	651.228.9959	Bar
Over the Rainbow	719 N Dale St	651.487.5070	Bar
Town House	1415 University Ave	651.646.7087	Bar
Trikkx	490 N Robert St	651.224.0703	Video Dance Club

Superior, WI

Main Club •	1217 Tower Ave	715.392.1756	Video Dance Club
Bev's Jook Joint	820 Tower Ave	715.392.5373	Bar
JT's Bar & Grill	1506 N 3rd St	715.394.2580	Dance Club

Wausau, WI

Oz •	320 Washington St	715.842.3225	Dance Club
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LA CROSSE

LOOKING FOR A NAUGHTY GIRL
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MADISON

23 BI MWM LOOKING FOR SINGLES/COUPLES
23yo, Bi MWM, 5'5", 135#, br/bl, good looking. Looking for no strings fun with sexy people - couples, young men, women. I'm into a lot of things, and I am open to new experiences. Email me, and we'll play. Send a pic if you like ... I'm in Madison, and want to meet you for some fun!! - marillion

MILWAUKEE

VERY SEXY HOT BI SUB GIRL SEEKS GIRLS
I am 22yo, very hot, 5'5", 115# with long black hair. My bf is 25yo, 6'2" tall, dark and handsome. We are clean, discreet professionals. I am very sexy, submissive, and hot. I am looking for good looking girl in Waukesha, Milwaukee area. My bf can join or watch. Your choice. - actioncouple

MINNESOTA

BI-CURIOS MWF SEEKS A FEMALE FRIEND
I am a 21 year old bi-curious MWF with shoulder length red hair and blue eyes. I am app. 5'9" and have a moderately average build. I am looking for a long term female friend in south-west Minnesota or north-west Iowa to spend time with and learn about all the pleasures that women can bring to each other. I love looking at other women's bodies and I dream about touching and pleasuring another woman in bed. I hope to hear from you soon!!! - jen0022

FIRST TIMER LOOKING FOR SAME OR COUPLE
looking to have my first bi experience or share a experience with a couple willing to train or try - needtotryit

ROCHESTER

LOOKING FOR BISEXUAL / TV / CD / TS FUN!!
31yo male, average shape, long dark hair, looking to fulfill an intense fantasy of exploring my wilder sexual side with bi / TS / CD / TVs in area. Total discretion needed/given. I'm into most fetishes - especially D/s. Will switch - let's get together! - rowan

SUPERIOR/DULUTH

MWM SEEKING FIRST TIME BI ENCOUNTER
I am a married male that wants to try a bi encounter and I am very serious about it. Being discreet is a must and being clean and disease free a must. I am 43yo, 5'7", 150#. I would like to meet other bi males that are married or are looking for their first encounter. If you are interested send me an email smokey44@altavista.com - smokey44

WISCONSIN

LOOKING TO MEET ANYONE
I'm 6'4", 240#, greenish/blue eyes, goatee, mustache, few tattoos but also very much bisexual and looking to meet anyone and anybody to talk and chat. You can email me at shadow_teddybear@gay.com - sexy-male69

STILL SEEKING

Am searching for bi male/female to give strong discipline. Me? I am slim @ 160lb / 50's / 5'10" / tanned / professional / great body. Looking to fill those LONG summer evenings with pleasure. - topman

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LOOKING FOR COUPLES

For those of you looking for a flexible third interested in stimulating the relationship, you may be interested in me. I'm about 6 foot and well endowed interested in following your lead in the giving and receiving of all sorts of stimulation. - doclensman

ARE THERE ANY BI WOMEN OUT THERE

Looking to hook up with a bi women for some fun evenings alone or with more. - curious95

SEEKING MEN

EAU CLAIRE

CENTRAL WI
30yo (that looks early 20's), bi male looking for 18-25ish gay or bi-

male. I'm 160#, 5'10", br/br, skinny, "cutie". Looking for "cutie" of similar build for discreet relationship. Let's chat ... chancerncleod@yahoo.com - chance

FOX VALLEY

NEED HOT SEX

Looking for other men for hot sex. I'm 5'4", 155#, brown hair & eyes and 42yo. I enjoy anything but pain and rough dominant sex. I live in the Fox Cities. I can't host so you must have a place (I can travel). Email me at dave_bottom2000@yahoo.com - 1254

SEEKING NEW FRIENDS!

A couple of hirsute guys, late 30's from the FDL area looking to meet other men around same age that are interested in casual friendship and/or more. We're fairly laid back and down to earth and like to get together with friends and have fun! That might mean anything from mild to wild, great food or great sex! Respond if you're interested and we hope to hear from lots of you! - bearenbe

GREEN BAY

1ST FRIENDS MAYBE MORE LATER
27 year old bi male not really experienced. I like bondage but no pain. I like rollerblading, rock climbing, water-skiing camping. I am looking for others to do things with and maybe play a little sexual later. i am going to school right now and working full time. If you are into getting into shape that would be a plus also but don't need to be. You can also email me at snookers86@yahoo.com. Also I would

like 18-29 only and preferred in shape just not fat or huge and in green bay or surrounding - collegeboy

LOOKING FOR A GM IN THE GREEN BAY AREA

I am a 20yo college student I live off campus and I am look for a relationship or just fun sex I am versatile and love to give oral sex (which I have been told I am very good at), I am 6'2 blue eyes and blond hair. I am about 245# and I have a nice package. If you want to see, my email address is timothy_420@hotmail.com - timothy

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6'0, 210#, long legs, 8", gorgeous, tanned body. No games - just hot sex. Racine area. Also looking for hot CD/TS. You won't be disappointed! - markmark

LOOKING FOR A MAN

Young 40yo, GWM, Br/br 5'11", 175#, good-looking, in shape. Have a great job and my own place on the shores of Lake Michigan. Looking for someone who is 21-35 with like stats for fun times or just kicking back and relaxing. - arjay

LA CROSSE

FRESH FIRST TIMER

Looking for wild love. Desperately in need for it. Want a friend maybe more!!! Loves to give BJs. 5'3. Outgoing - not femmie - very masculine, most don't think of me as gay. BJ17Boi - bjboi

MADISON

21 YR OLD SAGITTARIAN LOOKING FOR LTR

21yo, 5'11", Br/Hz, goatee and a pierced ear. I smoke and drink socially. I have no tattoos. Looking for some one to love. I'm warm hearted, caring, fun loving, open minded, sweet, honest, intelligent, romantic, witty and artistic. I am also self confident and loyal. I'm not looking for a "perfect" guy. I'm just looking for someone with

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MURPHY'S MANOR



by Kurt Erichsen

the same attributes and interests (don't need all of them) between 21-29yo. Looks not that important. - sagitarian

CONTACT ME SOON!

I am hot gay, handsome man with pics to trade. Write me so we can work out an exchange. - tompo

REGULAR GUY LOOKING FOR YOUNGER BUDDY

Hey Guy, Would like to connect with a new buddy or friend. I am 46 and looking for a younger guy who doesn't mind socializing with a mature guy. Not into LTR but would like to connect with someone by email or possible activities together. Email me at fdbuddy@hotmail.com. Willing to exchange pic. Hope to hear from you soon, buddy. Nick - nick

MILWAUKEE

WANT IT NOW

Hi! I am a black male 5'10" and the cock is long and strong! I am looking for guys who love a nice blow job. If interested look me up e mail beCoolDude12_53206@yahoo.com - gayguyinwi

BLACK MAN SEEKING FRIENDSHIP ... MAYBE MORE

Hey, fellas! I just moved here, and don't know very many people. I am 6'5", 230 # and I work out. I'm interested in meeting similar people who are well educated and professional. I'm a good looking guy and a lot of fun to be with. If you are interested email me. - lawman

FRIENDS

30, 5'7", 160, blk/blk GNAM looking for friends on the eastside. I try to keep myself busy, but find my being solo. Been here for two years and still haven't met only cool gay guys. Hopefully you'll be the one. - nadie

MINNESOTA

LOOKING FOR LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIP

attractive, 6'1", 175#, athletic - starshadow

NO. ILLINOIS

LOOKING FOR OLDER MAN

I'm a 20yo old west of the Rockford area looking for an older man willing to help me explore my fantasies. I'm 160#, 5'10", blond hair, blue eyes, swimmers build. ISO a gay man, 35-60, hairy chest - somewhat dominant - just looking to have a good time with no

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strings attached. Hope to hear from you! - cub27

BOTTOMSUP

Looking for men in/and around Rockford area to share quality time with. I am 40yo white male blonde/blue of average build ... very oral. Interested parties must also enjoy oral as well as willing to be caring/gentle to willing bottom. Will reciprocate if desired. Available most days and some early

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LOOKING FOR A NEW "FRIEND"
Hi there I am 25 and live in a small town in NW IL and am looking for a friend to go out to the clubs with when I visit Rockford which is quite often. Or even to just talk to. Well please respond talk to you later guys. - 1nighterguy

SHEBOYGAN

CITY BY THE LAKE, SHEBOYGAY
GWM, 43, 5ft. 10in., 155#. Seeking workout partner and friends - maybe more? - creator

ST. CLOUD

SEEKING DISCREET PLEASURE IN MINNESOTA
This 26yo active man seeks bi-friend and fun time partner in a discreet manner. Looking for someone who is fit, likes to workout, bike and camp. No fems please - just a normal acting guy who actively dates both genders and is looking for a no strings attached good time! Think Naughty! I am 5'9" 185 good build w/blue eyes and brown hair

- email at discreet_bimale@yahoo.com - pleasureseeker

TWIN CITIES

SEEKING LATIN
Genetically slender male, 5'5", seeks playtime with Latin males. - h20dude

UP MICHIGAN

HEY NORTHERN MICHIGAN GUYS
Well, I live in the Northern lower Michigan area and I'm looking for discreet - very discreet - meetings with guys 18-25 for ... well, you know. - jimbeam2222

WAUSAU

LOOKING TO BE A BOTTOM OR JUST GIVE HEAD
just enjoy giving head to guys, e-mail me when you have time and place, Also if your a top, use me! I'm D/D free, you be also. - gisscttr

WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE
I live by myself on the East side of Milwaukee. I'm 6'1", 161#, brown hair, almost 8" cut, 36yo., versatile. Find me on the web at http://www.guystats.com/Milwaukee8/ or

email me at hurricano@hotmail.com - hurricano

MARRIED BI MALE SEEKING EXCITEMENT!

Hi! I am 31yo, 5'9", 180 #, muscular build, br/bl, seeking discreet, hot encounters with another man. I am not into drugs, pain, getting drunk, head trips or dishonesty. Age (as long as over 18) and race not important. http://www.guystats.com/eastsidert/index.cfm - billy

LOOKING FOR BUDDY JANESVILLE/BELOIT AREA

MWM, 43yo, 5'7", 143#, br/bl, 31" waist looking to meet other guys in Janesville area for some male fun! - rainman

NEW GUY

19, 5'5, 145, BR/BR, average build, some hair, New Guy willing to try new things! Email if interested - guy1999

LOOKING 4 A HOT GUY

Good-looking, athletic, 29yo male in Appleton looking for a hot guy, 18-26, to hook up with for fun and maybe more. Must be clean and d/d free. Leave me a note. - yngking

I'M YOUNG AND HORNY

I'm in Eau Claire and I really want some oral action now, maybe something else later. I'm really, really hot for another warm form - any age. Please message me - 17yroid

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SLIM GUY SEEKS SAME FOR RELATIONSHIP ...

my name is mike and I'm 21yo. I am 5'9" tall and weigh about 115# I have blond hair and blue eyes and am very active in the gay rights movements and petitions. My beliefs are equality for all and I am interested in meeting other people for friendship or for the right guy a true and honest relationship no-bull here. I treat others as I would want them to treat me. If you are interested in meeting me contact me at mkayler20@yahoo.com - mkayler20

MATURE GAY E-PAL

Mature gay man seeking email friendship with other gay men in Wisconsin and Minnesota. - gayactor12

SHY GUY ...

Closeted 37yo in Madison, seeking similar (30-45) guy for friend, and possible LTR. Interested in everything except bungie jumping (but I'll watch!). Went sky-diving a couple of times before, and don't want to go again. Have a SCUBA license. Also enjoy rollerblading, camping, and other outdoor activities. I like to party but am not into the bar scene. I can be contacted at dagurasu@hotmail.com. I'm 5'8", 145 #., BL/BL. Seek other trim, developed, outgoing, and educated individuals. - dagurasu

MAN IN RIPON WANTS SEX

HEY ALL!! I live in Ripon Wisconsin and want to have sex!! That's all!! E-mail me right away and let the fun start!!! - buffeboy7

FREE PHOTOS

Photographer looking for Male models for erotic art projects. Offering TFF (time for photos), if interested please email me at: only_liam@hotmail.com - liam

LOOKING FOR CUTE MODEL BOYS!

If you are a cute, fit man looking for an opportunity to do modeling both nationally and overseas, contact me and request more info from aivis_s3@hotmail.com Love, Aivis - aivis

53YO COLORADO BI

Will be coming to Wisconsin the end of June and would like to meet up with horny dudes for a mutually enjoyable encounter. If I arouse your interest drop me a line and we can see what comes of it. - co_bears

MUSCULAR GAY MALE SEEKING SAME

What up!? I'm a 22yo GWM. I'm muscular and hairy and am looking for same! Willing to trade pics!! - musclemann

LOOKING FOR FUN

Looking for fun in downtown Milwaukee mornings or late evenings. - steve089

LOOKING FOR FRIENDSHIP FIRST IN WAUSAU

If you are looking for a decent caring person to get to know ... give me a chance. I am looking for the same. It would be nice to have someone to share sometime, get to know each

other. I am a hopeful romantic ... who hopes to someday find that special one, but for now I want a real friend first - someone to share time after work and on weekends. Prefer someone in the Central Wisconsin area, Wausau, Stevens Point, Mosinee, etc. I am shy, but friendly once I get comfortable. Enjoy movies - wiguy31

TV/TS, 43YO, SHAPE GOOD!

Hi! How are you? Please respond to me you won't be sorry! sandi - crest

REGULAR GUYS FOR HOT FUN

Want to find fit, healthy, regular guys in or coming to the Eau Claire area for hot times. I'm a top, like oral, 69 and slow, safe and sensual encounters. I am always horny, you? Me: 40 YO, buzz cut, 200#, 6' tall, stache/tee, butch with 6 rock hard inches. You: 25-45, reasonably proportionate, not femmy or waif type. Hairy, horny men are my preference, but little/moderate hair okay too. - timid

NEW AT THIS

I am looking for a hairy guy to teach me the ropes. Where are all the bears? - ryry

LOOKING FOR ULTRA FEM T-GIRL

I'm a nice, good-looking guy, with cross-dressing tendencies. I'm looking for a very passable t-girl that I can meet in real-time. my e-mail is danielhot@hotmail.com - dan

I'M LOOKING FOR SOME GUYS 18 TO 45

I'm an older professional, 6'4", D/D free, discreet. I'd like to get acquainted through mails and then plan to meet for some intimate encounters. I'm waiting to hear from you. Madison/Milwaukee area preferred. - bigdude67

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SEEKING WOMYN

MADISON

NOT2BLUE

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LOOKING FOR THE RIGHT ONE

I'm a 46yo male with many interests: volunteer work, scuba diving, boating, motor cycling, fishing, hunting, movies, dining out, music, and just staying home and cuddle. I'm looking for a woman with some of the same interests and who is in pretty good shape. I'm tall and in good shape. Give it a try you might like what you find. - mfd13

MINNESOTA

BI FEMALE LOOKING FOR YOU ...

I am a 29yo white bi female looking for other bi females for erotic times. I would also like to meet women who would be interested in fantasy fulfillment. I am attractive, D/D free and would like you to be too. I am open-minded, caring and love to have fun. If you are interested and would like to know more ... please email me. - jbgirl29

TWIN CITIES

COUPLE SEEKING FEMALE

Couple seeking female, 18-30yo, 5'-5'10, 120 - 200#. - domy

WAUSAU

HELLO NEED SOME BISEXUAL FRIENDS

HELLO LOOKING 4 SOME FRIENDS TO HANG OUT WITH MAYBE MORE EITHER BISEXUALS OR LESBIANS I'M

30 SOMETHING LIVING IN WAUSAU - susie72

WISCONSIN

LOOKING TO MEET PEOPLE IN MAD TOWN

Hi! I am 36yo, femme, good-looking (if that really matters). I think what is inside is so much more important. I am looking for friends and maybe more. I am stable, responsible etc. I love anything with water and golf. Been here 2yrs and still have not had an opportunity to meet people. Check me out at <http://hometown.aol.com/nauticalgyrl/> - nauticalgyrl

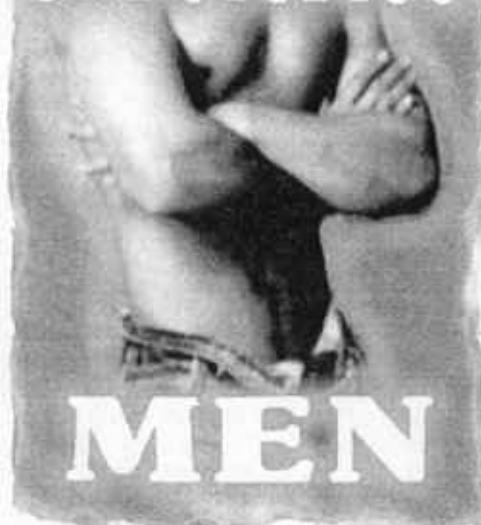
MARRIED WOMAN LOOKING FOR 1ST BI EXP.

I Live in The Eau Claire. I am happily married. I am looking for to have my first bi experience with someone that is patient, sincere, and loves to do things with. We are disease free. I need that special romance in my life that a man can not provide. Can email me at hyn301@yahoo.com - sleepy

WISCONSIN COUPLE SEARCHING FOR A BI FEMALE

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